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TRADE IN 2024-25

$1.68 billion	$1.24 billion	$0.44 billion
Total bilateral trade	India's exports to Iran	India's imports from Iran

India's exports to Iran: Rice, tea, sugar, medicines, electrical machinery, artificial jewellery

India's imports from Iran: Dry fruits, inorganic/organic chemicals, glassware

Trump's latest move could also impact China, UAE

NEW YORK/WASHINGTON, PTI

US President Donald Trump announced that any country "doing business" with Iran will have to pay a 25% tariff on its trade with Washington, a move that could impact Tehran's major trading partners such as India, China and the UAE.

"Effective immediately, any country doing business with the Islamic Republic of Iran will pay a tariff of 25% on any and all business being done with the United States of America. This order is final and conclusive," Trump, who has repeatedly threatened Iran with military intervention, said in a post on Truth Social Monday, ramping up pressure on Tehran, which is grappling with its most violent anti-government protests in years.

Among Iran's major trading partners are China, Turkey, India, the UAE, Pakistan and Armenia.

The announcement by Trump could impact India, which has been among Iran's five largest trade partners in recent years.

The US has already imposed 50% tariffs on India, among the highest in the world, including 25% for Delhi's purchases of Russian energy.

According to the Indian Embassy in Tehran, major Indian exports to Iran include rice, tea, sugar, pharmaceuticals, manmade staple fibres, electrical machinery and artificial jewellery, while major Indian imports from Iran consist of dry fruits, inorganic/organic chemicals and glassware.

According to the Observatory of Economic Complexity (OEC), an online data visualisation and distribution platform, exports from India to Iran in 2023 totalled $1.19 billion, while imports into India totalled $1.02 billion.

During 2023, the top exports from India to Iran were rice ($734m), soybean meal ($96.8m), and bananas ($52m). Top exports from Iran to India included acyclic alcohol derivatives (halogenated, sulphonated, nitrated) ($309m).

"India and Iran share a millennia-long history of interactions. The contemporary and relationship draws upon the strength of these historical and civilisational ties, and continues to grow further marked by high-level exchanges, commercial and connectivity cooperation, cultural and robust people-to-people ties," the Indian Embassy in Tehran has said.

A key aspect of India-Iran ties is the joint development of the Chabahar port. The Chabahar port is being developed by India and Iran to boost connectivity and trade ties.

Help on the way, Trump tells Iranians

US President Donald Trump urged Iranians on Tuesday to keep protesting and said help was on the way, without giving details, as the toll in the protests rose to 2,000.

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India's rice exports to Iran take a hit

MUMBAI/NEW DELHI, REUTERS: India's basmati rice exports to Iran have slowed to a near standstill amid the protests gripping the country, with suppliers wary of new deals due to the risk of non-payment and potential additional US tariffs, trade officials said.

US President Donald Trump said on Monday that any country trading with Iran would face a 25% tariff on its commerce with the US, a move exporters say has made Indian suppliers even more reluctant to sign new contracts with Iranian buyers.

"The proposed 25% levy under the Trump framework adds an additional challenge to the Indian basmati rice sector," said Akshay Gupta, head of bulk exports at KRBL Ltd, a leading rice exporter.

India is Iran's largest rice supplier, with the staple accounting for nearly two-thirds of all Iranian imports from the country.

"We are worried about the payments for rice shipped to Iran in the last two months," said a New Delhi-based exporter, who declined to be named.

"In some cases, buyers report they did not receive the full quantity; in others, they have fled the country because of the ongoing protests," the exporter said.

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Blinkit blinks, drops 10-min delivery after labour ministry steps in

Swiggy, Zepto may follow suit; gig workers welcome intervention

NEW DELHI, DHNS

The Union Labour and Employment Ministry has asked Zepto, Zomato and Swiggy to drop the 10-minute delivery service amid growing concerns over gig workers' welfare.

Following the intervention, Blinkit dropped its '10-minute' delivery; government sources said other aggregators are expected to follow Blinkit's path. The development came after Labour Minister Mansukh Mandaviya held meetings with platforms like Blinkit, Zepto and Swiggy to address concerns related to delivery timelines.

Gig and Platform Service Workers Union (GIPSWU) welcomed the government's intervention and said it is an important step toward ensuring the safety, health and dignity of gig and platform workers. The GIPSWU had on December 24 last year submitted a memorandum to Mandaviya besides filing a complaint with the NHRC on Monday.

The 10-minute delivery forced gig workers to hold a nationwide strike on December 31, drawing attention to workers' health, safety and income.

"Time-bound targets and algorithm-driven pressures remain widespread across the gig economy, creating conditions that can closely resemble forced labour. To achieve India's national goal of eradicating forced labour by 2030, these practices must be addressed comprehensively," GIPSWU National Coordinator Nirmal Gorana said.

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Major shake-up

Labour Minister Mansukh Mandaviya held meetings with platforms like Blinkit, Zepto and Swiggy over delivery timelines

- On Dec 24 last year, Gig and Platform Service Workers Union had submitted a memorandum to Mandaviya and filed a complaint with NHRC on Monday
- Gig workers held a nationwide strike on Dec 31 over 10-minute delivery
- Quick-commerce market is currently estimated at $5 billion and expected to touch $30 billion in FY30.

Anti-graft law: SC's split verdict

NEW DELHI, PTI: The Supreme Court on Tuesday delivered a split verdict on the validity of a provision of the anti-graft law which mandates prior sanction for probes against government servants. Page 7

'Shun parents' corrupt wealth', Page 7

Will ask states to pay for dog-bite cases: SC

NEW DELHI, PTI: The Supreme Court on Tuesday said it will ask states to pay a "heavy compensation" for dog-bite incidents and hold dog feeders accountable as it flagged its concern over the lack of implementation of norms on stray animals for the past five years.

A bench of Justices Vikram Nath, Sandeep Mehta and N V Anjaria said that even dog lovers and feeders will be held "responsible" and "accountable" for dog-bite incidents.

"For every dog bite, death or injury, we will ask the state governments to pay heavy compensation," Justice Nath said.

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India was set for ground attack during Op Sindoor: Army Chief

KALYAN RAY
NEW DELHI, DHNS

Army Chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi in New Delhi. PTI

The Indian Army was "all prepared for ground operations" during Operation Sindoor when Pakistan made the ceasefire offer after taking Indian troop positions into account, Chief of Army Staff Gen Upendra Dwivedi said here on Tuesday.

Gen Dwivedi also noted that the Pakistan military never used nuclear rhetoric while talking to the Indian DGMO during the conflict.

On the situation at the northern front, the Army Chief skirted questions on troop reduction at the Line of Actual Control but asserted that though the situation at LAC was stable, it needed constant monitoring as both sides were "trying to increase the trust factor".

"The army's mobilisation (during Operation Sindoor) to expand conventional space was such that if Pakistan made any mistake, we were fully prepared to launch ground operations," Gen Dwivedi said, addressing the media ahead of the 78th Army Day.

In the 88-hour-long conflict last May, the army expanded the space for conventional war, unlike a common perception that the space for conventional war was shrinking.

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Namma Metro floats first tenders for Phase 3

BENGALURU, DHNS: Namma Metro has finally floated the first tenders for Phase 3, which will have seven interchange stations and expand Bengaluru's network to 222 km by 2031.

On Tuesday, Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd (BMRCL) invited open e-tenders for three packages spanning 18.581 km at an estimated cost of Rs 4,187.41 crore.

The scope of work includes the construction of metro viaducts, rail-cum-road flyovers and stations.

Bidders have time until February 25 to submit their bids, which will open two days later.

After scrutiny and finalisation of the bids, groundwork is expected to start this June with completion aimed at May 2031.

Interchange stations

Phase 3 will have seven interchange stations: JP Nagar 4th Phase (Pink Line), JP Nagar (Green Line), Mysuru Road (Purple Line), Sumanahalli Cross (C1 and C2), Goraguntepalya (Green Line), Kempapura (Blue Line) and Hosahalli (Purple Line).

Phase 3 comprises two corridors: a 32.3-km line from JP Nagar 4th Phase to Kempapura along the Outer Ring Road (ORR) and a 12.15-km line from Hosahalli to Kadabagere along Magadi Road.

Corridor 1 will include a 28.486-km double-decker flyover from Delmia Circle to Hebbal, making it the city's longest flyover.

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Yellow line frequency down to 10 minutes, Page 2

TECH SHIFT

Humans, AI will be workmates by 2027, says study

UMA KANNAN
BENGALURU, DHNS

The next phase of transformation is here. In another couple of years, humans will work together with Artificial Intelligence (AI), and the latter will augment human capabilities. Experts say AI is already re-shaping the job and empowering employees.

Nasscom, which represents the country's vast technology industry, and job site Indeed, released a report titled 'Work Reimagined: The Rise of Human-AI Collaboration'.

The report reveals that 97% of HR leaders anticipate that the nature of work will be shaped by humans working alongside AI by 2027, rather than engaging with it only intermittently.

"What's changing isn't the number of jobs, it's what those jobs expect from people," Indeed India MD Sashi Kumar said, adding that they are seeing roles evolve internally long before hiring signals catch up.

RESKILLING
20-40% of work across tech organisations already being done through AI
45% of respondents say that over 40% of software development done by AI

The report reveals that 20-40% of work across technology organisations is already being done through AI across functions, and 45% of the respondents highlighted that over 40% of the software development is done by AI.

"AI is no longer a future consideration for the technology industry and is already shaping how work gets done. The real opportunity now lies in preparing people to work effectively alongside AI," Nasscom Head of Research Ketaki Karnik said.

To stay relevant, HR experts said job seekers should get familiar with AI tools. Melento (formerly SignDesk) founder and CEO Krupesh Bhat said talent is the country's biggest advantage, but only if reskilling is treated as economic infrastructure, not an HR problem.

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Constant exposure to construction dust results in lung, skin infections

Respiratory illnesses, once seasonal, now common, say doctors

AMULLYA SHIVASHANKAR
BENGALURU, DHNS

Doctors in the city are reporting rising lung infections and skin allergies, attributing the surge to prolonged exposure to dust and pollutants from ongoing construction.

They say fine particulate matter from construction sites, when inhaled over time, is a serious health concern, causing lasting lung and skin damage.

Dr Manjunath PH, Consultant Interventional Pulmonologist, said respiratory infections are up among those living near construction.

"Many patients report constant exposure to construction dust at home or work. Earlier, infections mainly aggravated pre-existing conditions. Now, healthy people are also showing symptoms," he said.

Pulmonologists say respiratory illnesses, once seasonal, are now common.

Commuters on two-wheelers inhale more toxic air. DH FILE PHOTO

Dr Hemanth Kumar M, Senior Consultant Pulmonologist, said ongoing "pollution spikes" are pushing up hospital visits.

"Historically, cases peaked in winter. Now, we see a 20 to 30% rise in emergency visits for acute asthma and COPD year-round. Worryingly, more first-time patients with no history of lung problems present with sudden breathlessness, often mistaken for allergy but caused by pollutant toxicity," he said.

Doctors flagged the high risk to daily commuters, especially two-wheeler users.

"Prolonged travel in open vehicles raises exposure to PM 2.5 and black carbon. Studies show two-wheeler riders inhale more pollution than car or metro travellers. Masks and avoiding peak hours may help but cannot eliminate risk," said Dr Shivaraj AL, Lead Consultant, Pulmonology.

Worsening skin health

City dermatologists report a spike in pollution-linked skin issues, especially in those in their 20s to 40s.

Dr Ruby Sachdev, Consultant Aesthetic Physician, said patients present with acne, redness, burning and sensitivity even without prior skin disease.

"Symptoms worsen after passing through high-traffic areas or during nearby construction. The skin barrier is breaking down faster, making skin more reactive," she said.

Dr Priyanka Kuri, Consultant Dermatologist, said, "Clinical reports show real-time skin damage from pollution. Authorities must prioritise dust control, safer construction, and stricter emission norms," she said.

Parking attendant smashes stray dog against wall

BENGALURU, DHNS: A 30-year-old man has been booked for allegedly killing a stray dog by smashing it against a residential compound wall in southern Bengaluru last week.

The suspect, Nepal Kiran, is a native of Andhra Pradesh and works as a valet parking attendant at a hotel next to the crime scene.

The killing was caught on CCTV.

Manjari Chaitanya, founder of South Bengaluru Cares, said the dog was killed in JP Nagar 7th Phase around 1.20 am on January 9. Residents found the dog the next day and checked CCTV footage.

Manjari filed a complaint at the Puttenahalli police station.

Police have issued a notice to Kiran, who is believed to be absconding. He lives in the area with his parents and elder brother.

Manjari said eight puppies have gone missing from the area since the incident. "We have shared all CCTV footage with the police to demand immediate action," she said.

Similar incident

On November 1, a similar incident occurred in an apartment complex on Kannur Road near Bagalur. Police arrested a 29-year-old woman for killing a pet dog inside a lift. That act was also caught on CCTV and widely shared on social media.

Pushpalatha, from Tamil Nadu, was hired by Rashika KR to care for her pets, but was frustrated by the dog's continuous barking.

Hoardings back in Bengaluru under new advertising rules

Eight-year ban ends; LED hoardings permitted

NAVEEN MENEZES
DHNS, BENGALURU

The state government on Tuesday notified the Greater Bengaluru Area (Advertisement) Rules, 2025, empowering the city's five municipal corporations to auction advertising rights.

The notification, revised several times over the past two years, lifts an eight-year ban on outdoor advertisements.

The new rules offer significant concessions to "legacy" advertisers — those with valid permissions under the BBMP Advertisement Byelaws, 2006 — by granting a one-time opportunity for regularisation for a fixed period.

Individuals who had put up commercial advertisements under the self-advertisement scheme have also been allowed to seek regularisation, though the corporations will not earn revenue from these cases.

Among the key changes, the government has scrapped the requirement for advertisers to make an upfront payment for five months after securing ad rights.

Instead, advertisers must now submit a surety bond from a general insurance company.

Footpath hoardings are allowed under the new rules. DH FILE PHOTO

The rules also permit advertisement hoardings on footpaths, subject to approval by the city corporation. "There shall be no hoarding or advertisement on footpaths unless permitted for the benefit of pedestrians and without causing hindrance or annoyance," the rules state.

While the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) had projected annual revenue of Rs 500 crore from the new policy, the exemptions and relaxations are expected to significantly reduce potential collections.

Under the new regime, commercial advertisements are prohibited on roads narrower than 18 metres, though this restriction is relaxed in streets notified as commercial or industrial zones. Allotted roads, circles and areas must be awarded only through open auction or tender.

Advertisements on metro pillars, stations and viaducts have been excluded from city corporation tenders.

In the coming months, Bengaluru is likely to see a surge in LED hoardings with moving visuals, as advertisers increasingly opt for LED displays over static boards. However, officials and experts warn that such displays could distract motorists and raise safety concerns.

The seventh Yellow Line is ready for induction on January 15 (Thursday). PHOTO: BMRCL

Yellow Line to run every 10 mins during peak hours

BENGALURU, DHNS

Starting January 15, metro train services on the Yellow Line will run every 10 minutes during peak hours as the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) is set to induct the seventh train.

The BMRCL said peak-hour services from Monday to Saturday will run every 10 minutes, down from 13 minutes, while on Sundays, the headway will be cut from 15 minutes to 14 minutes.

There will be no change in the timings of the first and last trains from the terminal stations — RV Road and Bommasandra.

The 19.15-km RV Road-Bommasandra metro line, which opened on August 11 last year and connects the tech hub of Electronics City in southern Bengaluru, currently operates with six trains and has an average weekday ridership of one lakh.

Namma Metro is also set to receive the eighth Yellow Line train shortly after Makar Sankranthi on Thursday. The six-coach trainset was dispatched by Kolkata-based Titagarh Rail Systems Ltd (TRSL) on January 8.

The train is expected to arrive at the Hebbagodi depot in the city shortly after Sankranthi. After completing the mandatory 750-km trial run on the mainline, it will enter passenger service around mid-February, cutting peak-hour frequency to less than 10 minutes.

Two arrested for drugging, robbing train passenger

BENGALURU, DHNS: The railway police arrested two men for allegedly robbing a train passenger after lacing his drink with sleeping pills, officials said on Tuesday.

The arrested persons, Safar and Sataram, are from Bihar. The Baiyappanahalli railway police began the investigation after the victim, Krishna Kumar, also from Bihar, lodged a complaint.

According to the police, on January 2, the accused approached Kumar while he was travelling to Danapur, Patna, and struck up a conversation, claiming they were from the same state.

After some time, the duo got down at a station and bought tea for themselves and Kumar. Unbeknownst to him, the tea was laced with sleeping pills.

Soon after consuming the tea, Kumar fell unconscious. Taking advantage of this, the accused allegedly stole his gold chain, Rs 4,000 in cash and his bag before fleeing.

Kumar later regained consciousness, realised he had been robbed and alerted the police.

During the investigation, the police traced and arrested the accused when they allegedly attempted to target another passenger. Further investigation is on.

SANKRANTI SKIES

Close to 300 birds strangled by Chinese manja in 12 days

SNEHA RAMESH
BENGALURU, DHNS

With Makar Sankranti around the corner, kite flying has become a common sight across the city.

However, the use of banned Chinese manja threads has led to nearly 300 birds being strangled or injured in just the first 12 days of January, animal rescuers said.

Rescue groups say distress calls are rising sharply. "Usually, we receive two to three such calls a day. Over the past 10 days, this has gone up to five or six, and on some days even seven," said a representative of People for Animals (PfA), which runs a wildlife hospital.

While PfA received close to 60 rescue calls this month, the Avian and Reptile Rehabilitation Centre (ARRC) recorded 244 manja-related cases in just 12 days.

"We are seeing a worrying rise in manja-related wildlife casualties even before Sankranti. In less than two weeks this year, we have already rescued 244 animals injured by these deadly strings," said Subiksha Venkatesh, lead rehabilitator at ARRC.

The Forest, Ecology and Environment Department banned nylon manja in June 2016, but weak enforcement continues to endanger wildlife. ARRC data shows that at least 9,000 birds have been affected by manja threads over the past three years.

"Many manufacturers market these strings simply as kite-flying threads. There is little enforcement, and often no checks to distinguish between cotton and nylon manja. During awareness drives, police do assist us in seizing illegal threads," said Jayanthi Kallam, executive director of ARRC.

ARRC volunteers have been conducting awareness campaigns at kite-flying events across the city. "At a recent kite festival, about 10 kg of manja was collected and prevented from entering the grounds. Once people understood the harm, many voluntarily handed it over," said Vijay Gowda, a rescuer with ARRC.

Rescuers said the threads are almost invisible and often get caught on trees or electric wires, causing birds to be strangled mid-flight. The nylon strings can cut deep into birds' wings and necks, often proving fatal.

Wildlife casualties soar

- 2019: 349
- 2020: 1,323
- 2021: 3,072
- 2022: 2,381
- 2023: 2,678
- 2024: 2,648
- 2025: 3,614
- 2026 (till Jan 12): 244

(As reported to NGO ARRC)

A caretaker tends to a bird injured by manja thread used for kite flying. The nearly invisible strings often hang from wires or tree branches, trapping birds mid-flight. DH FILE

City's KR Market stocked with sugarcane for Makar Sankranti. DH PHOTO/PUSHKAR V

QR code metro passes for unlimited travel

BENGALURU, DHNS: The Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) will introduce mobile QR code-based periodical travel passes, starting January 15 (Thursday).

These one-, three- and five-day passes will be valid for unlimited travel.

Until now, unlimited travel passes were available only as Contactless Smart Cards (CSC), with a Rs 50 refundable security deposit. With the launch of mobile QR code passes, passengers can now enjoy unlimited travel without any security deposit, as they are issued digitally on mobile phones, the BMRCL added.

Metro passes

- **One day:** Rs 250 (QR code), Rs 300 (smart card, including Rs 50 deposit)
- **Three days:** Rs 550 (QR code), Rs 600 (smart card)
- **Five days:** Rs 850 (QR code), Rs 900 (smart card)

There will be no security deposit for these QR travel passes. They can be purchased on the Namma Metro app and will be made available on other apps shortly.

26 suspected B'Deshi migrants detained in ongoing police drive

BENGALURU, DHNS: The Electronics City division of the Bengaluru police has detained 26 people suspected to be Bangladeshi migrants residing illegally in the city, officials said on Tuesday.

Officials said 10 people under the Begur police and 16 under the Hebbagodi police jurisdictions were detained on suspicion of being illegal Bangladeshi migrants.

The drive has been underway for five days.

"They have been produced before the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) for document verification. Earlier, eight people detained by the Electronics City police were found to be Assamese after verification," an official said.

Police sources said investigations show that those who cross over illegally from Bangladesh obtain Indian documents, including Aadhaar cards, and work menial jobs to hide in the city. The probe is ongoing.

55-year-old woman murdered in broad daylight

BENGALURU, DHNS: A 55-year-old woman was murdered in broad daylight at Madanayakanahalli on Monday.

The deceased, Dakshayani, was a resident of Kuduregere. She lived alone after her husband passed away a few years ago.

Police said Dakshayani's daughters live in Dasanapura near Kuduregere and were at work at the time.

Around 1.30 pm, one daughter was alerted by neighbours that Dakshayani had been attacked with lethal weapons. She was on her way to fetch her grandson from school, as was her routine.

A case of murder has been registered.

Financial dispute

A senior police officer said a financial dispute is suspected to be the motive and that one of her relatives is believed to be behind the crime.

Police teams have been formed to nab the suspect, officials said.

EASTERN RAILWAY

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No guards, just cameras: Are ATMs safe anymore?

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BENGALURU, DHNS

67-year-old Indiranagar resident's ATM visit on 80 Feet Road ended in distress. Two men, pretending to help with a technical issue, swapped his card. Days later, he found Rs 1.49 lakh had been stolen.

The incident reveals a wider issue: many ATM kiosks, once manned by security, are now unguarded.

A *DH* check in Kengeri, RT Nagar, and Indiranagar found most standalone kiosks without guards, some left unmanned for months.

Banks now rely on CCTV over guards.

"It is not feasible to have guards at every ATM," said a Canara Bank official.

An SBI source added, "Customers must be vigilant and avoid seeking help from strangers."

DCP Akshay M Hakay (Central) advised elderly people to be accompanied by family or staff when banking. If they suspect a scam, they must alert the bank so Customer Relationship Management (CRM) staff can block accounts.

Hakay recalled a Cubbon Park case where scammers convinced an elderly businessman to pay a fake fine by pretending he was under arrest. They called him while he was jogging, then ordered him to the bank.

An ATM kiosk with no security presence. DH FILE

Safety protocols

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- Use ATMs during bank hours.
- Seek help only from bank staff or guards.
- Block your card immediately if anything is wrong.
- Check SMS and statements from banks regularly.

At the bank, CRM staff alerted his daughter, who quickly blocked the account after spotting a Rs 1.5-crore transaction.

"The best policy is to verify the scammer's identity. Asking pointed questions can deter them. The elderly must be careful, as anxiety about savings can make them trust the wrong people," Hakay added.

Why are seniors vulnerable to scams?

Ruth Nisha, Senior Project Manager at Nightingales, a care centre, said seniors are vulnerable because they trust easily and are less familiar with technology.

Seniors uncomfortable with smartphones should bank with trusted family or at branches. Many hesitate to ask staff and instead trust strangers.

"Poor eyesight, fear, language barriers, and hesitation make them easy targets. Scammers exploit their politeness, especially in crowded ATMs," she said.

Steady decline in criminal cases at airport police station

Passengers reluctant to pursue cases despite seeking help: Police

SENIOR POLICE OFFICIAL

"As it is a travelling crowd, people think it is a hassle to get involved in a case registered at the airport police station. Even Bengaluru residents shy away from it as they don't want to keep travelling down to the airport. While we get lots of complaints, most passengers ask for our help, but refuse to file a case.

ASRA MAVAD
BENGALURU, DHNS

The Kempegowda International Airport police station registered only 61 criminal cases in 2025, a consistent year-on-year decrease since 2023.

As per data shared by the police, case registrations have seen a slow decline in the past three years. Compared to the 61 cases in 2025, 2024 saw 77 cases and 2023 saw 89.

Officials attribute the decrease to growing hesitation among passengers to lodge FIRs.

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Of the 61 cases in 2025, criminal intimidation ranked the highest, at 12, followed by nine theft cases, eight forgery cases, and seven cases of hurt.

"Cases on criminal intimidation are spread across a broad spectrum — between passengers, passengers and airport staff, taxi drivers and passengers, and also among taxi drivers," the official explained.

The past year, in particular, saw a steady flow of illegal immigration-related cases, he added.

"We saw several cases of illegal immigration from Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Nepal. We've registered cases against illegal immigrants from Sri Lanka and Nepal, either for forgery or under the Passports Act. Due to the sheer number of Bangladeshi immigrants, we don't file a case; instead, we send them to the detention centre, and then they are directly deported," he elaborated.

The past year saw four cases registered under the Passports Act, 1967.

While the first case registered at the airport in 2025 was related to a passenger who stole two luxury watches from the Duty Free section before flying to Brazil, the year ended with a copyright case—two flyers who flew in from Cambodia with counterfeit cigarettes.

The past year also saw four missing person cases and two cases of offence against a public servant. Apart from these, the airport also saw one case each of molestation, wrongful restraint and confinement, death due to negligence, cheating, poisoning, arms possession, criminal trespass, and sexual intercourse by employing deceitful means, among others.

Ground staff at the airport said a major chunk of fights which break out on the airport premises can be attributed to drunk passengers.

IN THE CITY

GENERAL

Seminar: On 'Relevance of Swami Vivekananda's teachings'; GB Harish, Aarthi VB and others to participate; Royal College, Mathikere; 10 am.

Book store opening: New branch of Harivu books; South Avenue Complex, DVG Road; 11 am.

Republic Day Flower Show: Inauguration by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah; DK Shivakumar, SS Mallikarjun, Ramalinga Reddy to participate; Organised by Horticulture Department; Glass House, Lalbagh; 4 pm.

CULTURAL

Music performance: Fusion music presentation by 'Legend of frame drums'; Amruth Nataraj, Prakash Sontakke and others to perform; Surabhaarathi, HRBR Layout; from 6.30 pm onwards.

CITY WEATHER

FORECAST

Mist

TEMPERATURES

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Minimum	18.1°C
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Humidity (as of 5:30 pm)	86%
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Sunrise (Jan 15)	6:45 am
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Why Hyrox is all the rage

The 'viral' global indoor fitness race is set to debut in the city in April

BARKHA KUMARI
TEAM METROLIFE

Bengalureans are currently fixated on Hyrox, a global indoor fitness race that combines eight kilometres of running with eight strength-based workouts. Some have already travelled to Mumbai and Delhi to compete, and some have even flown to international destinations such as Singapore and Hong Kong. Now, many are preparing for its first Bengaluru edition, scheduled for April.

On Tuesday, doubles and singles categories were pegged at Rs 7,600 and above. Despite the fee being somewhat steep, participants are seeking exclusive training. In response, gyms across the city have started offering Hyrox training or simulation sessions. While the majority of sign-ups are from the 30-45 age group, they have also seen participation from those in their 20s and 50s.

'Competing against myself'

There is equal participation from men and women, and sometimes, there are more women participants, say gym owners. Restaurateur Neelam Shekhawat has signed up for the mixed doubles category with a longtime friend. The 40-year-old finds Hyrox, with its mix of endurance, strength, and cardio, a balanced activity "at this stage of life", when women must prioritise health due to hormonal changes. "Unlike walking or swimming, which can be done passively, Hyrox demands full mind-body coordination and helps me disconnect," she says. Three months into training, she can now do lunges carrying her 10-year-old daughter, and has noticed a marked improvement in her mood.

Shruti Walia, who will participate in the open category, treats Hyrox as a competition against herself. She has previously completed Devils Circuit and Spartan races without preparation, but acknowledges Hyrox is tougher. In preparation, she is working out five to six days a week. Her regimen combines sports, running, strength and cardio sessions, and Hyrox simulations. "I am prioritising sleep, and trying to hit the bed by 10.30 pm. I am loading up on carbs at dinner, and having the right pre-workout meals, to fuel my body," says Shruti, head of human resource at a fitness brand.

Crossover appeal

The Fit Ground in Koramangala introduced Hyrox simulation training on weekends last May. Its co-founder Punith Basavaraju says, "About 300 people have signed up to date, and close to 50 are participating in the Bengaluru event." Explaining the appeal of the new fad, he says that Hyrox has become a "common ground" for both runners and gym-goers.

Shree Lakshmi Shetty vouches for its crossover appeal. The 23-year-old from Bengaluru has participated in two Hyrox races in Mumbai, where she moved to complete her education. A regular runner, she had teamed up with another fitness enthusiast to compete in the women's doubles category in her second Hyrox event. "I supported her during the run, and she supported me during the strength workouts," she explains. The duo finished in 1 hour 48 minutes, in second place. "There were few participants our age, probably because it's expensive. We were lucky as we had free passes for the event," she adds.

Demand has surged at Hyfit in HSR Layout, where over 500 people have trained for Hyrox since May 2025. "We have increased daily classes from three to six, and are taking in 35 trainees per class," says co-founder Anee Verma. Their Hyrox training is attracting runners with knee issues, and also people experiencing "FOMO" because of their friends, colleagues, or other people at the gym.

Newer centres are seeing strong interest too. In roughly two weeks since opening, MMA Matrix Gym Bangalore, HSR Layout, has already enrolled 14 people for group and one-on-one Hyrox training. "Some people are travelling from as far as 25 km away," says owner Jayant Khamesra. Clout Fit's Belathur branch launched its Hyrox vertical in mid-December and is drawing "leads" from the IT crowd and entrepreneurs. "Most sign-ups are for the open category," says co-founder Jyothsna Vishwas.

Hyrox aspirants practising workouts like sled pull, sled push, and farmer's carry at Hyfit, HSR Layout.

What is Hyrox?

Hyrox combines strength and endurance, and is said to be in the league of hybrid formats such as Devils Circuit, Spartan Race, and Wild Warrior Race. Here, every kilometre of running is alternated with a functional workout, including SkiErg (ski-like pulling machine), sled push and pull, burpee broad jumps, rowing on a machine, farmer's carries (walking with heavy weights), sandbag lunges, and wall balls (squatting and throwing a weighted ball at a target).

Dos and don'ts

Jayant Khamesra recommends at least three months of strength and endurance training. Anee Verma advises runners to practise "compromised running". "In Hyrox, you run, you stop to do a workout, such as lunges with a 20-kg sandbag, and resume running with fatigued muscles," she explains. Jyothsna Vishwas, a nutritionist, stresses screening oneself for movement issues, maintaining adequate sleep, and balancing electrolytes. Gautham Sangappa of Proton Fitness Academy, Basavanagudi, warns that an untrained body can face muscle tears, ligament injuries, kidney overload, and heat exhaustion.

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Yash or no?

So the trailer of Yash's upcoming film 'Toxic' is out, and it looks like a gangster drama straight out of Hollywood. The criminals are all gathered at a funeral, and the hero is in a car, busy with a hyperventilating babe, as he prepares to blow them up. In real life, the Karnataka State Commission for Women has shot off a letter saying the scenes are offensive. And an uncharitable film critic out here is saying the proceedings look so artificial the film should be called 'Botoxic'. Fans are loving the trailer though, but they have a question. Why does the hero call himself daddy? Given Yash's bearded swag, 'daadi' would have made sense, but why daddy?

EVENTS

Concert

'Legends of Frame Drums', a fusion concert featuring Amrit Nataraj (on khanjira), Abbos Kosimov (doira), Prakash Sontakke (slide guitar) and Shadrach Solomon (keyboards), will be held on Jan 14, 6 pm, at Indian Institute of World Culture, Basavanagudi. Entry free.

Dance recital

'Ranga Sammilana', the Bharatanatyam rangapravesha of Sonika Satish, will be held on Jan 17, 5 pm, at Dr D Premachandra Sagar Auditorium and Centre for Performing Arts, Kumaraswamy Layout.

City artist creates Sankranti rangoli

ASHIKA GOWDA
TEAM METROLIFE

Bengaluru-based rangoli artist Kusum Krishnamurthy has created a Makara Sankranti mandala series that showcases the various aspects of the harvest festival through thoughtfully selected motifs and colour palettes.

It features traditional Sankranti elements such as the rising sun god, symbolising the start of Uttarayana, surrounded by vibrant kites that evoke joy and celebration. 'Ellu bella' is represented with motifs of sesame seeds, jaggery, and sugarcane, signifying sweetness and warmth. Pots overflowing with milk and grains symbolise abundance and prosperity. The use of earthy yellows, reds, greens, and whites reflects the colours of the harvest

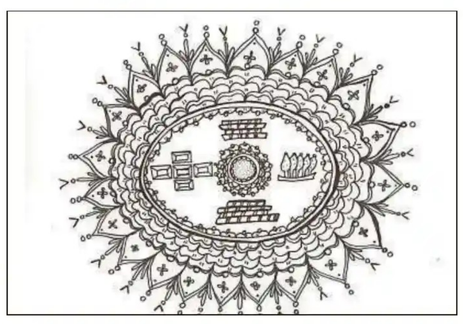
Kusum's designs are primarily based on mandalas — circular forms that start at the core and expand outward with symmetry, repetition and balance. Her work is rooted in tradition but shaped by imagination; her rangoli work moves beyond familiar patterns to explore festivals through geometry and symbolism.

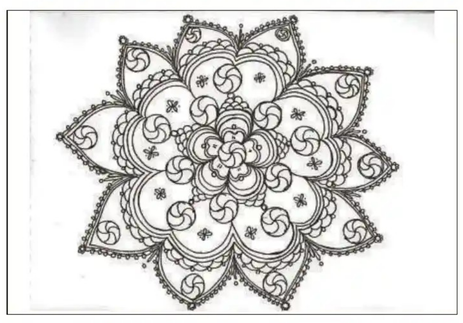
While rangoli has long been associated with daily rituals near the tulasi brindavan or temple spaces, Kusum approaches it as a canvas for storytelling.

She creates her mandala designs intuitively, allowing each layer to evolve organically rather than following templates.

"I prefer freehand drawing," she says, explaining that copying existing designs limits expression. The artist frequently incorporates gentle lines, flower-like shapes, and textures that resemble grains into her creations.

By blending cultural symbols with structured geometric forms, Kusum's rangolis offer a contemporary take on a traditional art.





Kusum (left) created this series, which features the rising sun god, and 'ellu bella' (sesame and jaggery), signifying sweetness and warmth.

Short films: Contest for women filmmakers

Gubbivani Trust has invited women directors to submit entries for the Avala Hejje Short Film Festival 2026 on or before January 31. The entry fee is Rs 1,000, and late submissions will be accepted till February 14 with an additional fee of Rs 500. The festival is open to Kannada short films (5 to 30 minutes) produced between 2024 and 2026. The best short film will receive the Avala Hejje Award with a Rs 1 lakh cash prize, along with Rs 10,000 each across multiple special categories. *For details, visit gubbivanitrust.ngo or contact 88677 47236.*

R K Srikantan Trust music fete from today

Vidwan R K Srikantan Trust will present the 30th Annual Sankranti Music Festival at Seva Sadan Hall, Malleswaram, from January 14 to 17. On January 14, 7.15 pm, a concert by Vaishnavi Ramdas (vocals) will be held. On January 15, 8.30 am to 9 pm, five concerts are scheduled, including performances by vocalists Archana Murali, Jayamangala Krishnan, the Kanchana Sisters, and Maharajapuram Srinivasan. On January 16, there will be a harikatha performance by Mohan Kumar and party at 5 pm, followed by a concert by S Shankar at 7 pm. On January 17, concerts will be held from 8.30 am to 1 pm, featuring vocalists Abhijith, Vamshidhar, and Sriram Shastry. *For details, call 94484 68192.*

11-day art festival to 'reimagine city'

SHRADDHA A K
TEAM METROLIFE

An 11-day festival will explore how Bengaluru can reimagine itself, from a congested metropolis to a city that honours its culture, public art, and historic architecture. Titled 'Creative City Bangalore: Dialogues & Discoveries', it will feature talks, walks, performances and immersive experiences from January 15 to 25 across seven locations.

Conceived as a response to the city's growing association with traffic snarls, potholes and urban fatigue, the festival seeks to shift the narrative back to heritage, public spaces, art, ecology and wellbeing, says Jija Hari Singh, IPS (Retd.), managing trustee of ArtMantram Trust, which is organising the initiative.

"My city was once beautiful — known for its gardens, heritage buildings and calm. Somewhere along the way, we lost that identity," she says. Jija believes public spaces must be designed to heal people; otherwise, "they risk becoming mere corridors of movement".

For that to happen, she says art must enter everyday life rather than remain confined to galleries and elite spaces. "If we can bring people back into parks, heritage sites and commons, they will develop a sense of belonging to the city," she adds.

The festival will open with seminars examining contemporary challenges in shaping the city's future. One session will explore the intersection of artificial intelligence and art, aiming to reconnect Bengaluru's tech workforce with cultural engagement and creative thinking. Another will focus on ecology and well-being, addressing rising anxiety, substance abuse and environmental degradation, with insights from experts in medicine, mental health and urban ecology.

The event will include curated walks at locations like Vidhan Soudha and Lal Bagh. DH PHOTO/PUSHKAR V

Indian and international artists will take part in a cultural exchange, including a visit to the Roerich Estate. The 'Discoveries' segment will offer curated walks through neighbourhoods such as Malleswaram and Kadugodi, as well as sites like Vidhana Soudha and Lal Bagh.

The festival will also mark the soft launch of Drishyam Yatra, an upcoming art village off Kanakapura Road, which aims to bring together artists, poets, performers and craftspeople from around the world in a guru-shishya model of learning.

January 15-25, across locations. Visit artmantram.org or call 97409 54366 for details. Entry free.

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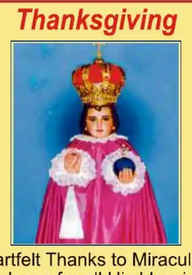
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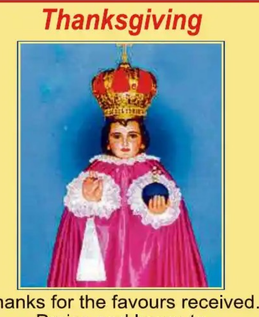
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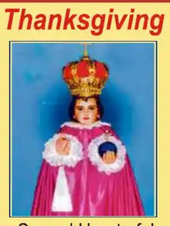
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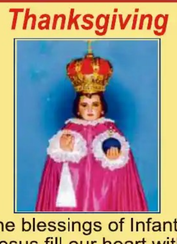
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BLR Hubba back with 350+ events

The 10-day festival will host music, theatre, dance, food, art, and heritage activities across 30 locations

TEAM METROLIFE

BLR Hubba, the city's annual arts and culture celebration, returns on January 16. The 10-day festival will host more than 350 events spanning music, theatre, dance, food, art, and heritage. It will feature over 800 artists and speakers, around 45 of whom are from outside India.

The festival will unfold across 30 locations. Freedom Park will be the largest venue. Bangalore International Centre (BIC), the National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), Sabha BLR, Panchavati, Alliance Française, Ravindra Kalakshetra, Indian Institute of World Culture, and Yuvapatha, are among other major venues.

Anchored by the UnBoxingBLR Foundation, BLR Hubba is curated by a 12-member team. Chief facilitator Ravichandar V describes it as a "festival of festivals", noting that nearly 80% of the programmes this year have never been presented in Bengaluru before. The number of sub-festivals has expanded to 12, up from seven last year.

Freedom Park will host a children's festival titled 'Makkala Hubba'. Visitors can try out 'Elli, Ekke, Ennu', a life-size puzzle based on the city, or engage with 'Atada Angala', an installation featuring five board games inspired by the city and Karnataka's culture, and 'Cook & Keep', a multiplayer interactive game inspired by Karnataka's cuisine. Storytelling sessions in English and Kannada will be held at 'Odu-Nali', a pop-up library.

'Uncharted Seas', a kathak dance presentation by Aditi Mangaldas and her team, will be held as part of the dance festival, 'Nartisu Hubba'.

Around 20 art installations will be set up at Freedom Park as part of 'Kala Hubba'. "The festival will feature nearly 50 installations across venues, and those at Freedom Park are themed on interpretations of freedom," Ravichandar said.

'Thindi Hubba' at Freedom Park will serve 18 varieties of street food from Delhi, West Bengal, Bihar, eastern Uttar Pradesh, and other regions.

'Vishesha Hubba' will be held across venues, of which 'Culture-Otsava', an event celebrating Karnataka's food, games, history, and innovation will be held at NGMA on January 17 and 18.

'Anubhava Hubba' will be held across multiple locations. It is designed as a participatory experience where "the audience is also a participant, not just an observer". It includes 'First-Hand', a 90-minute multi-sensory session at BIC, a heritage walk at Someshwara Temple, an Art Deco walk in Malleswaram, and night walks through central Bengaluru.

'Future Hubba' will feature discussions on the future of art, diplomacy, artificial intelligence, and technology across BIC and Alliance Française. International speakers include experts from MIT and Austria-based Ars Electronica. The 'Namma Bengaluru Challenge '26' is another highlight of this sub-festival. It is a Shark Tank-style event where five shortlisted startups will receive funding of Rs 25 lakh each.

Nine 'Raste Hubba' (street festivals) will be held over weekends across neighbourhoods such as Malleswaram, Koramangala, and Mahadevapura.

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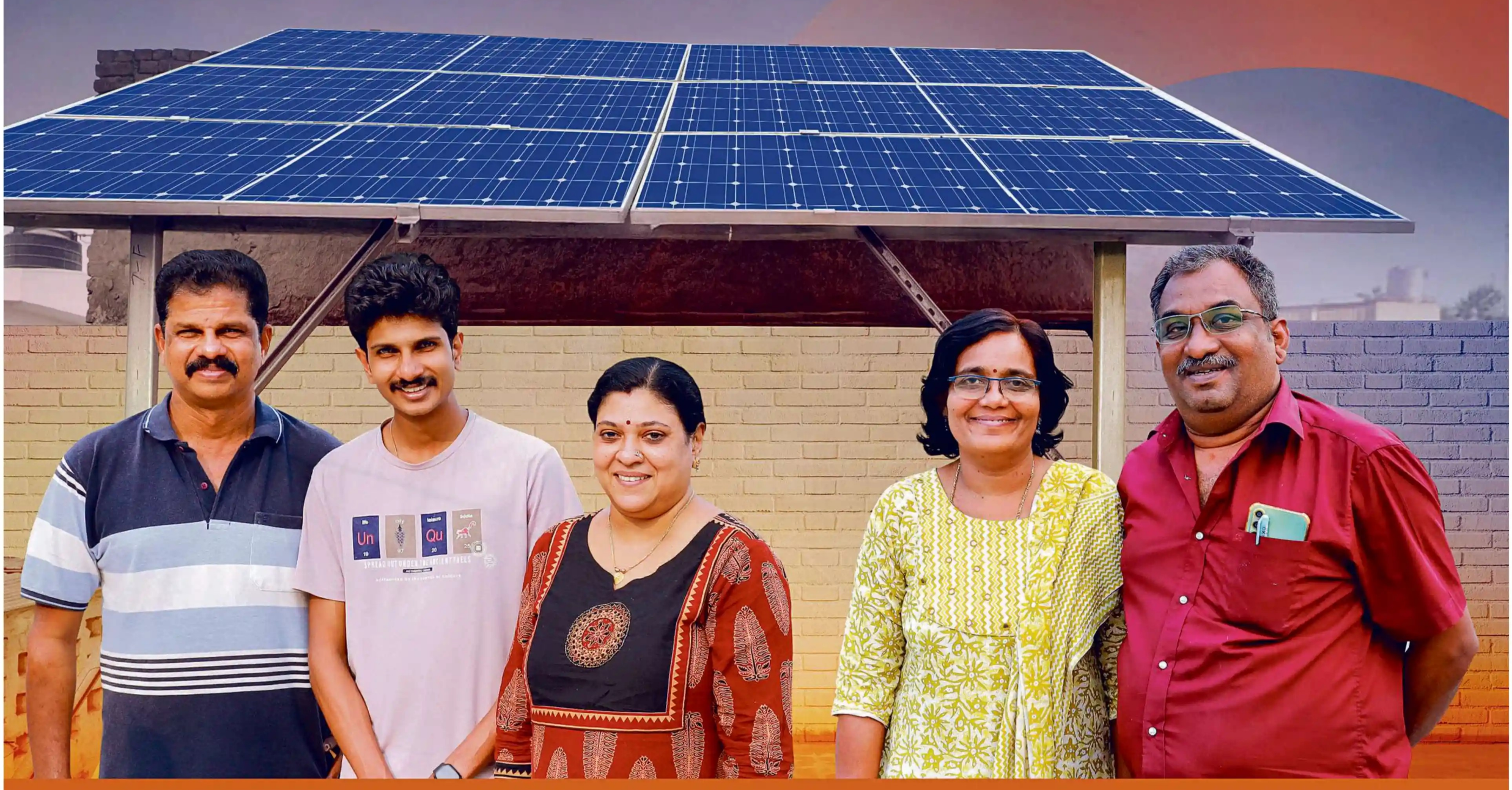

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Kogilu evictees seek houses sans discrimination

BENGALURU, DHNS: Residents and activists of Kogilu Layout have urged the Karnataka government to provide housing to all 188 families evicted from the area, irrespective of caste, creed, region, or language.

Referring to Articles 19(1)(d) and 19(1)(e) of the Constitution, which guarantee the right to move freely and reside anywhere in the country, and Article 21, which ensures the right to live with dignity, the residents said the demolition violated their fundamental rights. The Kogilu Layout Slum Residents' Struggle Committee stated that demands by opposition parties to limit rehabilitation only to Kannada-speaking people amount to a direct violation of Article 19(1)(e).

The displaced families, the committee said, must be viewed as poor citizens in need of rehabilitation, not through the lens of language, region, caste, or religion.

Highlighting delays in providing alternative housing, the families demanded temporary shelters at the same site and immediate supply of basic groceries. The statement noted that elderly people, pregnant women, lactating mothers, and infants are facing a severe humanitarian crisis due to evictions without rehabilitation.

The committee also demanded an end to eviction drives against poor families on government land and called for a 'zero eviction policy', along with inclusive housing under the 'housing for all' scheme, including special provisions for migrant workers.

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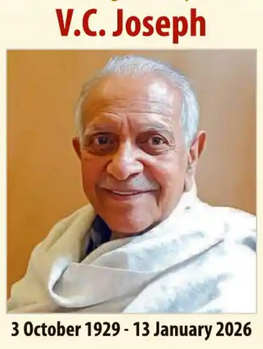

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Plan for medical colleges under PPP model put on hold

Govt will establish philanthropic hospitals, says minister

BENGALURU, DHNS

Following public outcry over the proposed plan to establish medical college hospitals under the Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) model, the state government has decided to keep it in abeyance.

Medical Education Minister Dr Sharan Prakash Patil said that the government had been compelled to put its plans on hold in the face of stringent opposition to the proposal in many districts.

"People in Vijayapura and Tumakuru were vocal in expressing their opposition to the plan, and although we faced no issues in Kolar, the government has decided to put the plan on hold for now," the minister said.

Heeding NITI Aayog's recommendations to establish medical colleges under the PPP model, the state government had proposed to set up colleges in Vijayapura, Chitradurga, Davanagere, Kolar, Tumakuru, Dakshina Kannada, Udupi, Bagalkot and Bengaluru Rural districts.

At a recent event in Vijayapura, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah announced that the government was applying the brakes on its plans to set up medical colleges under the PPP model.

He, however, was quick to reiterate the government's commitment to set up state-run medical colleges in all districts. Incidentally, the people of Vijayapura had been the most vocal in expressing their opposition to the plan.

Patil was also quick to point out that it was the previous BJP government that had originally proposed setting up medical colleges under the PPP model.

"However, the Congress government is interested in setting up philanthropic hospitals," said the minister, adding that a healthcare centre coming up near the National Institute for Mental Health and Neurosciences in Bengaluru would be one such facility.

"The Azim Premji Foundation will set up the hospital on a 10-acre land parcel that the government will provide. The foundation will bear the expenses for the infrastructure and other facilities at the 1,000-bed hospital, which will predominantly focus on organ transplantation. Only a nominal fee, such as that charged at the Jayadeva Institute for Cardiovascular Sciences, will be collected at the new hospital," Patil said.

Hate Speech Bill: 'Ready to clarify to Guv,' says HM

BENGALURU, DHNS: Home Minister G Parameshwara on Tuesday said the government was ready to provide further clarification to Governor Thaawar Chand Gehlot on the Hate Speech Bill, which is awaiting Lok Bhavan's clearance.

"We've already informed the Governor. We've provided all kinds of explanations. If he seeks more clarification, then we will give it to him," the HM told reporters.

"The Bill is against those who create confusion in society by making unwanted statements. Plus, there are ramifications of such statements. It impacts society. Hence, we brought the Bill after discussing it extensively," Parameshwara said.

NREGA Bachao must become people's movement: Siddaramaiah

BENGALURU, DHNS

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday said the 'NREGA Bachao Sangram' must grow into a people's movement until the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) is restored and the Viksit Bharat - Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) Act, 2025 (VB G Ram G Act) is withdrawn.

Addressing a preparatory meeting organised by the Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) in the city, Siddaramaiah said the agitation would be held from village level to state level. "Just as farmers in North India fought and forced changes in farm laws, a similar struggle is needed now," he said.

The MGNREGA gave the rural poor a legal right to employment and empowered gram panchayats (GPs) to decide development works, the CM said. Over 12.16 crore workers, including 6.21 cr women, in the country had benefited from the Act over the past two decades, Siddaramaiah said.

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister Priyank Kharge said that the VB G Ram G Act violated Articles 258 and 280 by mandating states to bear 40% of the funding. "The Finance Commission has neither consulted the states nor informed them about the additional burden of 3,500 crore," he said, adding the GPs would be reduced to implementing agencies, as the Centre decided the projects.

KPCC president and Dy CM D K Shivakumar said the agitation was an opportunity to strengthen the party and called upon block and district presidents to educate people on the consequences of the new Act and announced padayatras of 5–10 km at every taluk headquarters.

He said he would personally lead padayatras in Shikaripura and four other divisions and directed party workers to broadcast Sonia Gandhi's message opposing the "black law" during the campaign scheduled between January 27 and February 7.

Woman killed in elephant attack

HASSAN, DHNS: A woman labourer was trampled to death by a wild elephant at Moogali village in Sakleshpur taluk on Tuesday.

Shobha (40), the deceased, was on her way to the farm, along with her mother Rajamma, when the elephant attacked them, according to sources.

While Rajamma managed to escape from the wild jumbo attack, Shobha was trampled to death.

Flash protest

The villagers staged a flash protest with Shobha's body.

"We need a permanent solution to the wild jumbo menace. Every time a death happens, the government assures compensation and measures to find a permanent solution. But nothing has happened," they complained.

Learning about the death of the woman in the elephant attack, Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre expressed shock and directed the senior officers of the wildlife division to take necessary steps.

The minister also directed the Hassan chief conservator of forest and the deputy conservator of forest to visit the spot and manage the situation.

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SIR in state: Caution buzzword for Cong, BJP in fiat to cadre

Beware of 'deletions': Shivakumar; BYV harps on 'removing fake voters'

BENGALURU, DHNS

Anticipating the roll out of the special intensive revision (SIR) of voters' list in Karnataka, the ruling Congress and BJP, on Tuesday, asked their cadre to monitor the exercise closely.

The exercise is likely to be undertaken in the state next month.

While deputy chief minister D K Shivakumar cautioned Congress workers against SIR, state BJP president B Y Vijayendra reminded that the party welcomed the Election Commission of India's decision undertake SIR.

Addressing a press meet, Vijayendra drew attention to SIR's impact in Bihar.

65 lakh fake voters

He said over 65 lakh fake voters had been removed from the electoral rolls and more than 2.5 crore fake voters were deleted in Uttar Pradesh.

"A series of meetings covering all 39 organisational districts of the state have been conducted, and meetings in 35 districts are completed," he said.

The BJP discussed party organisation across districts and strategies to strengthen the party ahead of zilla panchayat and taluk panchayat elections.

Shivakumar, addressing party workers at the preparatory meeting ahead of the nationwide 'NREGA bachao' campaign, called upon them to "save" the voting rights of people and be "cautious" about deletion of names from voters' list.

Two voter ID cards

"SIR will decide our future. The party workers should be in constant touch with block level agents (BLAs) to safeguard the fundamental rights of people. In rural areas, some people possess two voter ID cards as they have migrated to cities for work. We must ensure that these duplicate names are deleted," said Shivakumar.

He reminded that the campaign against 'vote chori' had started from Karnataka.

"For no reason should you let your guard down, as we will soon have gram , taluk and zilla panchayat elections and the GBA polls. We have seen what is happening in states like West Bengal," said the state Congress president.

He congratulated lock and district presidents and office bearers for gathering the highest number of signatures – more than one crore - during the nationwide 'vote chori' campaign.

"MGNREGA was our guarantee of employment. After the five guarantees, the sixth is the guarantee of land records and e-khata being undertaken by (Revenue Minister) Krishna Byre Gowda," he said.

Mega convention

The party is planning to celebrate the completion of 1,000 days in office of Siddaramaiah's second tenure as the chief minister on February 13, with a mega convention to showcase the government's achievements.

Lauding the efforts of the guarantee implementation committees, Shivakumar said, "Every gram panchayat and taluk panchayat must host beneficiaries' meetings. Food and Civil Supplies Minister K H Muniyappa is planning to provide five kg of free rice and five kg of other food items per head to BPL families. We will make the announcement on February 13."

Won't seek extra time: DCM on holding B'luru civic polls as per SC order

BENGALURU, DHNS: Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar on Tuesday said that elections to the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) will be held within the deadline set by the Supreme Court, stressing that the government will not seek additional time.

Shivakumar told reporters that the government will make the necessary recommendations to the State Election Commission as per the court order. "It is our duty to conduct the elections. We are preparing new leaders by empowering (Congress) party workers. We are confident that we will do well in all the five corporations," he said.

The government will also conduct zilla and taluk panchayat elections, he added.

Answering a question on complaints related to the reservation of wards, the Bengaluru Development minister said some people had submitted technical objections and that the government had formed a committee to look into it. "There is a complaint that reservation for women is not adequate. The committee will look into it," he said.

Bengaluru's civic body elections were last held in 2015.

GBA likely to finalise draft electoral rolls by Jan 19

BENGALURU, DHNS

Going by the revised schedule of the State Election Commission (SEC), the draft electoral rolls – with names of eligible voters for the upcoming elections to the five municipal corporations of Bengaluru – is expected to be ready on January 19.

This also means that the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) has completed 11 of the 19 tasks provided by the commission for the preparation of final electoral rolls.

The commission had revised the schedule late last year after the government increased the number of wards from 368 to 369.

In all, it had set a 110-day deadline to complete the entire process of finalising the voters' list. Among the tasks that GBA has already completed include: training electoral revision officers, assistant electoral revision officers, identifying voters in the Assembly electoral rolls by visiting only the houses on the edge of the ward boundary line by block level officers (BLOs), e-roll generation, verification of leftout and repeated voters as well as other errors, ward-wise electoral rolls, among others.

The exercise involves the work of 8,972 booth level officers (BLOs), who are mostly teachers working on supervision of revenue officials.

Officials said the exercise is challenging as it requires the BLOs to match the 2025 summary revision rolls with the fresh revision rolls based on new ward delimitation maps that have been created mostly based on inputs from local leaders.

While doing so, the boundary marks are not important enough for the demarcation of two wards, it's learnt, with small lanes being turned into boundaries, instead of proper roads or major drains, etc.

Once the draft electoral rolls is published, there are about seven tasks that need to be completed, including house-to-house verification through BLOs, filing claims and objections, ward-wise electoral roll final checklist and final publication of electoral rolls, which is scheduled on March 13.

Ramachandran R, who is incharge of election-related works in GBA, was not available for comment.

Three arrested for assaulting migrant labourer

MANGALURU, DHNS: Three youth who had allegedly assaulted a migrant labourer, accusing him of being a Bangladeshi national, were arrested by Kavoor police on Tuesday.

The accused youths were identified as Ratheesh Das alias Lalu (32), Dhanush (24) and Sagar (24) from Kulur.

According to the police, on January 11 at around 6.05 pm, four youths had allegedly stopped Diljan Ansari, a migrant worker from Jharkhand, questioned him about whether he was a Hindu or a Muslim, and assaulted him with a metal rod, accusing him of being a Bangladeshi.

A case under Sections 126(2), 352, 351(3), 353, 109, 118(1) and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, was registered at Kavoor police station, sources added.

Gauhar: Musical portrait of a woman who refused to be forgotten

Before cinema created stars and long before radio carried voices into Indian homes, there was **Gauhar Jaan**. She understood, with startling clarity, that her voice could travel, endure and earn its own freedom

Lillete Dubey, director

Actor Girija Oak anchors the play as Gauhar Jaan

Prestige Centre for Performing Arts (PCPA) presents 'Gauhar', a critically-acclaimed musical theatre production, on Saturday, January 17, 2026. 'Gauhar' traces the life of one of India's earliest female musicians. Directed by Lillete Dubey and written by Mahesh Dattani, the play is inspired by Vikram Sampath's book 'My Name is Gauhar Jaan' and brings to the stage a woman who reshaped not only Indian classical music, but the very idea of female independence in public life.

Born into an Armenian Christian family and later converting to Islam, Gauhar was a woman of extraordinary ambition and artistic daring, unapologetic in embracing the dawn of recording technology to become one of India's earliest mass media icons. Her fame travelled far beyond concert halls, with her image appearing on matchboxes and postcards as far away as Europe.

Gauhar Jaan went on to record close to 600 songs in over 20 languages, asserting her authorship in an era that rarely acknowledged women's voices, and famously ending each session with her unmistakable, high-pitched sign-off – 'My name is Gauhar Jaan'.

"Presenting 'Gauhar' at PCPA is a part of our commitment to curating work that foregrounds strong artistic voices and meaningful stories," says Dipti Rao, DGM – Auditorium Operations, PCPA. "This production brings together exceptional theatre-makers to tell the story of a woman whose courage and creativity still speak powerfully to contemporary audiences."

First staged in 2015, 'Gauhar' has been performed nearly 80 times across India and internationally, including acclaimed runs in London, Houston and San Francisco. Rather than offering a linear biography, the play draws from memory, folklore and imagination to explore the contradictions of fame, freedom and survival.

What sets 'Gauhar' apart as a theatrical experience is its seamless integration of drama and live music. The classical compositions sung on stage are original works by Gauhar Jaan herself, with music arrangement by Shambhu Lahiri, lending the production both authenticity and immediacy.

The play is anchored by acclaimed stage and screen actor Girija Oak, alongside National Award–winning actor Neena Kulkarni, supported by a formidable ensemble including Danny Sura, Rajeev Siddhartha, Varun Narayan, Gillian Pinto and Aakanksha Kadre. Their performances unfold within a richly-imagined world shaped by Salim Akhtar's evocative sets and lighting, Pia Benegal's period costumes and Kathak choreography by Uma Dogra and Pooja Pant.

For multi award-winning actor and director Lillete Dubey, 'Gauhar' reflects her nuanced direction and focus on strong, layered women. Under her guidance, Gauhar Jaan emerges not as a distant historical figure, but as a complex, deeply human presence - brilliant, ambitious, vulnerable, and resolutely self-defined.

As 'Gauhar' comes to Bengaluru, it invites audiences to witness not just history, but a life lived with defiance, brilliance and unapologetic selfhood.

Actor Girija Oak anchors the play as Gauhar Jaan

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D'sthala burials: HC seeks response from state in fresh PIL

BENGALURU, DHNS: The Karnataka high court on Tuesday directed the state government advocate to get instructions in the fresh public interest litigation (PIL) relating to the Dharmasthala mass burials.

A division bench comprising Chief Justice Vibhu Bakhru and Justice C M Poonacha posted the matter to February 3 for further consideration.

The petition is filed by Kusumavati, mother of Soujanya who was raped and murdered in Dharmasthala in 2012. The petition sought directions to the Special Investigation Team (SIT) to act upon the representation submitted by the petitioner in October 2025 and register 74 FIRs treating each of the unnatural deaths as a crime.

According to the petitioner, Belthangady taluk in Dakshina Kannada consistently registered the highest number of unnatural death reports in the entire state. The petitioner claimed that at least 74 persons, who died or were found dead in Dharmasthala between 1990 and 2021, were subjected to immediate burials as unknown persons. Many bodies were buried the very day they were found, while others buried the next day. In each case, barring one, the location of the grave was never recorded in any official document, the petition said.

The petition further stated that the government order constituting the SIT refers "a comprehensive and impartial investigation into cases of missing women and female students, unnatural deaths/murder cases, and rape cases reported in the Dharmasthala area over the past 20 years."

The petitioner stated that the SIT is not limited to any single case but extends to the related criminal cases.

Didn't discuss politics with Rahul, says Siddaramaiah

'LoP told CM, deputy he will call them to Delhi for talks'

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar and Minister K J George receive Congress leader Rahul Gandhi at the Mysuru airport on Tuesday. DH PHOTO

MYSURU/BENGALURU, DHNS

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar received Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, who arrived at Mysuru airport for a brief stopover on Tuesday.

Ministers K J George and H C Mahadevappa joined them at the airport.

Rahul Gandhi, also the leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha, was on his way from Delhi to attend a function at Gudalur in Tamil Nadu.

Replying to reporters' questions, Siddaramaiah said, "We did not discuss anything related to politics - neither about power sharing nor Cabinet reshuffle - with him."

"The party high command has not invited me to Delhi regarding the Cabinet reshuffle," he said.

"Such speculations or discussions are there only in the media. We (he and Shivakumar) both have visited each other's houses for breakfast. We have spoken and decided to abide by the high command's decision," he said.

"Neither I nor Shivakumar spoke about power sharing. The high command has also not said anything. The MLAs will not know what the high command decides. They are also not talking about it," Siddaramaiah said.

'Budget in March'

Regarding the date of the State budget, the CM said, "Probably, the budget will be presented in the first week of March. We will hold a Saadhana Samavesha on February 13 to mark the completion of 1,000 days as chief minister (second tenure). We are planning to hold it in Haveri".

On local body elections, he said, "We are ready for the elections to GBA, corporations, taluk and zilla panchayats. The BJP and JD(S) coalition will not affect the Congress. There will be one candidate for BJP and JD(S). So, there will be one vote which is pro-Congress and one vote which is against Congress in these elections, that's it."

"We have convened an emergency special Cabinet meeting on Wednesday," he added.

When asked about Union Minister H D Kumaraswamy returning to state politics, he said, "I have not observed if he has made any such statement about it. He was unwell. He has recovered now, and hence, he is active."

Rahul spoke to Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar separately for a few minutes. He met them together for a couple of minutes.

Sources said Rahul told Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar that they would be called for talks to Delhi to 'settle' their leadership dispute.

Shivakumar is waiting in the wings to replace Siddaramaiah on the premise that he was promised the chief minister's post.

'Vijayendra to continue as K'taka BJP chief for now'

Party may take call on leadership closer to 2028 state polls

AMRITA MADHUKALYA
NEW DELHI, DHNS

As the BJP national working president Nitin Nabin gets ready to assume the post of national president on January 20, Karnataka is the only major state where an election for the state party president remains pending.

Other states where selection of a new party president is pending are: Punjab, Tripura and Manipur, in addition to Delhi.

According to sources, the party high command will likely maintain the status quo in Karnataka and take a call on the leadership issue closer to the Assembly elections in 2028. Sources in the party said B Y Vijayendra will continue to head the state for the time being.

"He will lead the state party unit for now, and there is no need to announce a re-election. Finally, the infighting in the state unit of the party has calmed down, and we do not want to worsen matters," a senior party leader said.

Nabin is the youngest leader to be named working president, a precursor to being named party president.

While the party's constitution does not mandate the position, Nabin is the second working president after JP Nadda. Election for the top job is done by an electoral college that has leaders from the national council as well as state councils as members.

Names of leaders are presented from various states by groups of 20 members of a state council, with the consent of the leader. Rules also mandate that the names of only those members who have been part of the party for 15 years can be proposed for the post. BJP leaders also said that any leader could hold the president's post for two consecutive terms of three years each.

BJP protest in Ballari on Jan 17

BENGALURU, DHNS: The BJP will organise a massive rally at Ballari on January 17 against the 'collapse' of the law and order situation under the Congress government, the party's state president B Y Vijayendra said here on Tuesday.

A Congress worker died during a political clash between groups belonging to lawmakers Bharath Reddy (Congress) and G Janardhan Reddy (BJP) in Ballari earlier this month.

"The deterioration of law and order is such that the government machinery was misused in Ballari and a Congress MLA created an atmosphere of fear with his goondaism," Vijayendra told a news conference.

Merz in B'luru: BJP attacks CM, DKS for skipping reception

BENGALURU, DHNS: The Opposition BJP criticised Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and his deputy D K Shivakumar for not receiving German Chancellor Friedrich Merz upon his arrival in the city on Tuesday.

Merz was received and seen off at the Kempegowda International Airport by an entourage led by Industries Minister M B Patil.

"Any other responsible CM would have personally ensured that such a visit was accorded the seriousness it deserved as an opportunity for investment, industry, employment and long-term growth for Karnataka," Leader of the Opposition R Ashoka said. "While the German Chancellor landed in Bengaluru, Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar chose to be in Mysuru to receive Rahul Gandhi, who was merely transiting to Ooty," he added.

"Karnataka deserves leadership that puts the state before the party, state's progress before power politics, and global opportunities before political appeasement," Ashoka said.

Senior BJP lawmaker S Suresh Kumar said, "If this were to happen 20 years back, S M Krishna would have perhaps chosen to welcome the German Chancellor and not Rahul Gandhi."

Minister hails teenager who handed over treasure to govt in Lakkundi

GADAG, DHNS

Hailing the 14-year-old boy who promptly vouchsafed the treasure trove he stumbled upon at home to the Gadag district administration, Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister H K Patil said, "The treasure that the boy Prajwal Ritthi found contained 466g of gold ornaments, which is now in the possession of the district administration. The honesty that Prajwal has displayed is truly exemplary."

Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister H K Patil on Tuesday feted Prajwal, his mother Gangavva and his grandmother at a small ceremony organised by the Gadag district administration on Tuesday.

Interacting with journalists at the Lakshminarayan temple in Lakkundi in Gadag district on Tuesday, Patil said that Prajwal's act had been brought to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's notice.

"The CM felt that the boy who so honestly handed over the treasure to the government is worth more than the gold itself," said Patil.

The district administration will felicitate Prajwal and his family on Republic Day, said Patil.

"The Cabinet will deliberate on the possibility of extending some assistance to the family," said the minister.

Pointing to Lakkundi's historical ties to various dynasties including the Chalukyas and Rashtrakutas, Patil added, "We will display all the artefacts that Prajwal found at the museum. In fact, locals contributed more than 1,100 historical objects during the Lakkundi Relic Collection drive."

India's rice exports to Iran...

Export, From Page 1

The current protests began last month in Tehran, with shopkeepers condemning the rial currency's free fall.

Importers have conveyed their inability to honour existing commitments and remit payments to India, creating heightened uncertainty for exporters, Dev Garg, vice president of the Indian Rice Exporters Federation (IREF), said in a statement.

Iran previously supplied foreign exchange to food importers at a subsidised rate, but it has now suspended that provision, effectively making imports much more expensive for buyers, said Vijay Setia, a top rice exporter.

India's exports to Iran, largely food items such as rice, fell to $1.24 billion in the 2024–25 fiscal year ending March from $3.51 billion in 2018–19, while imports declined to $440 million from a peak of $13.53 billion in 2018–19, Indian government data showed.

"Iran's currency has crashed, and exporters are worried whether shipments already sent will be cleared and whether buyers can pay," said Ajay Sahai, director general of the Federation of Indian Export Organisations.

Major Indian exports to Iran include basmati rice and pharmaceuticals, while imports consist mainly of fresh and dried fruits.

Humans, AI will be workmates...

AI, From Page 1

The report highlights that roles are evolving faster than they are being articulated or formalised. Every seven in ten HR leaders are focusing on upskilling, and more than half are focusing on modernising systems. TECHVED Co-founder and CEO Mohar V said AI is no longer a pilot initiative and it is now a revenue engine.

"Large-scale, outcome-driven skilling is essential for India to remain the world's preferred technology partner," he said.

Interestingly, now, for entry-level talent, organisations are expecting job-ready candidates, with assessments shifting toward live projects, hackathons, case-based questions, portfolios and a greater focus on measurable outcomes. "For mid- and senior-level hiring, evaluation focuses on end-to-end ownership, decision-making under ambiguity, and multidisciplinary skill sets, with an increased emphasis on past projects and their impact," according to the report.

Blinkit blinks, drops 10-min delivery after...

Blinkit, From Page 1

Eternal Group CEO Deepinder Goyal had recently claimed that the 10-minute delivery promise does not pressure riders or lead to unsafe driving, as they are not shown the 10-minute timer on the app.

"Firstly, delivery partners are not shown customer-facing time promises. There is no '10-minute timer' or countdown in the delivery app. 10-minute or faster deliveries are primarily due to our stores being closer to customers and not by higher speeds on the road," Goyal had claimed.

AAP Rajya Sabha MP Raghav Chadha, who was campaigning in favour of gig workers, said he was "deeply grateful" to the Centre for its "timely, decisive and compassionate" intervention in enforcing the removal of the '10-minute delivery' branding from quick-commerce platforms.

The Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT), headed by BJP MP Praveen Khandelwal, also "strongly welcomed" the development, saying it is "timely, humane, and far-sighted", prioritising the life and safety of delivery personnel.

The quick-commerce market is estimated at $5 billion and expected to touch $30 billion in FY30.

India was set for ground attack...

Army, From Page 1

"The kind of firing that took place in Jammu and Kashmir, and the way we eliminated approximately 100 of their (Pakistan) personnel happened because we expanded the conventional space," he said.

"There was no discussion on nuclear arms in the DGMO talks and whatever nuclear rhetoric was given was given by the politicians or given by the local public in Pakistan. I have no indication that anything of that sort came from the (Pak) military," he said.

Following Operation Sindoor, terror activities and infiltration attempts have come down in Jammu and Kashmir, but at least eight terror camps are still active: six across the Line of Control and the other two are opposite to the International Border in Jammu region.

In the last two weeks, a number of drones were seen in Jammu and Kashmir – at least six were seen on January 10 and another 2-3 on Jan 11 and 12. These are possibly defensive drones that were sent either to check if any action was being taken against these platforms or to see if there are any gaps through which infiltrators can be sent.

"We had a DGMO (Director General of Military Operations) talk today. This matter was discussed in that talk, and they were told that this is unacceptable to us, and please put a stop to it," he said.

In the wake of China once again issuing statements on territorial claims on Shaksgam Valley, the Army Chief said it was "illegal action" as India considered the 1963 agreement under which Pakistan ceded 5,180 sq km of area in the Shaksgam Valley in China as illegal.

India maintains that Shaksgam valley is Indian territory and the country reserves the right to take necessary measures to safeguard our interests.

PHASE 3 TENDERS

Package 1 (6.521 km)

JP Nagar 4th Phase (excl) to Kamakhya Junction

- 5.695-km double-decker flyover
- 826 m normal viaduct

Stations: JP Nagar 5th Phase, JP Nagar, Kadirenahalli & Kamakhya Jn

Cost: **Rs 1,375.66 cr**

Package 2 (5.408 km)

Hosakerehalli to Nagarabhavi Circle

Stations: Hosakerehalli, Dwaraka Nagar, Mysuru Road and Nagarabhavi.

Cost: **Rs 1,396.1 cr**

Package 3 (6.652 km)

Vinayaka Layout to Nagarabhavi BDA Complex (5.012 km), Sunkadakatte station to Sunkadakatte depot (1.64 km)

Stations: Vinayaka Layout, Papareddy Palya, Nagarabhavi BDA Complex and Sunkadakatte.

Cost: **Rs 1,415.65 cr**

Namma Metro floats first tenders...

Metro, From Page 1

Corridor 2 will have an 8.635-km double-decker flyover from KHB Colony to Kadabagere.

In all, the BMRCL will float tenders for Phase 3 in eight packages: six for the ORR section and two for the Magadi Road line. The remaining five packages will be tendered in March or April once a loan agreement is signed with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), a senior BMRCL official told *DH*.

JICA will provide Rs 6,775 crore for Phase 3.

While the metro component will cost Rs 15,611 crore, the double-decker flyover will cost Rs 9,692.33 crore, which will be fully funded by the state government.

Phase 3 received all statutory clearances in August 2024, but its tenders were delayed due to revised plans to build the 37.12-km double-decker flyover.

BMRCL had to prepare a detailed design consultancy (DDC) report and revise land acquisition estimates to incorporate the change.

As reported by *DH*, BMRCL will award the metro and double-decker flyover works to a single agency to expedite construction.

The double-decker flyover will have entry/exit ramps at five locations and loops at nine places. Except for the Delmia Circle flyover, it will run either beside or above existing flyovers at Hosakerehalli, Mysuru Road, Nagarabhavi and Sumanahalli.

According to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report, Phase 3 will impact 6,868 trees.

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Notification No. RUR/BOA/RCT/ADVT/02 Dated 16.08.2024 and with reference to the Writ Petition and Writ Appeal filed before Honorable High Court Bench Kalaburagi, the candidates who have written the KEA examination and not submitted the mandatory documents (hardcopy in 08 sets),as per the notification No.RUR/BOA/RCT/ADVT/02/01, Dated 05.11.2025, to the University are here by informed to submit the documents before 23.01.2026, 5:30 pm in person or through India Post (University is not responsible for any postal delay). For further information, refer to University Website https://raichuruniversity.ac.in/.

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ಸಹಿ/– ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು
ನಗರಸಭೆ ಯಾದಗಿರಿ

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BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Reg. Office: 30/1, 1st and 2nd Floor, BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, Millers Tank Bund Area, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru- 560051,
Email-Id: dgm3bswml@gmail.com

No: DGM-3/BSWML/PR /754/2025-26 Date: 12-01-2026

E-Auction notification (Only through GOK KPP Portal Only)

Name of the Work	Disposal of scrap materials at MSW wet waste processing plant.

1) Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited invites the e-Auction of Disposal of scrap materials at MSW wet waste processing plants on on **"AS IS WHERE IS" basis.**
2) The bidder shall quote their highest rate for items exclusive of applicable taxes in the unit for which bid is offered.
3) Interested dealers may inspect the plants on any working day between 10 a.m to 5 p.m upon prior approval from this office.
4) The bidder shall note the auction start time, auction end time and delta time for bidding as per auction notice detail.
5) Last date to confirm participation in e-Auction with necessary EMD & relevant documents, Date & time of live bidding will be updated in KPP portal only.
6) The Right to Accept/Reject an any or all responses received is reserved with the Deputy General Manager-3, BSWML without assigning any reasons thereof.

Sd/-
Deputy General Manager-3, BSWML, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/5021/Shirdi Sai/2025-26

SC's split verdict on anti-graft sanction law

Validity of Section 17A to be re-examined by larger bench

NEW DELHI, PTI

The Supreme Court on Tuesday delivered a split verdict on the constitutional validity of a 2018 provision of the anti-graft law, which mandates prior sanction for initiating a probe against a government servant in a corruption case.

While Justice B V Nagarathna said that Section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption Act is unconstitutional and needs to be struck down, Justice K V Viswanathan held the provision as constitutional while adding that sanction must be decided by an independent authority like the Lokpal.

Section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 bars any "enquiry or inquiry or investigation" against a public servant for recommendations made in discharge of official duties without prior approval from the competent authority.

The case will now be placed before Chief Justice of India Surya Kant for forming a larger bench to hear the matter for a final decision. "Having regard to the divergent opinions expressed by us, we direct the Registry to place this matter before the Chief Justice of India for constituting an appropriate bench to consider the issues which arise in this matter afresh," it said.

JUSTICE VISWANATHAN
Supreme Court Judge

"With the extent of public gaze prevalent today, propelled by social media, arrest and the consequential parading in court of a honest person itself causes incalculable harm to the fair name and goodwill of the individual and the family

The judgment came on a PIL filed by NGO 'Centre for Public Interest Litigation' (CPIL) against the validity of amended section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption Act.

In her 147-page separate verdict, Justice Nagarathna said requirement of prior sanction is contrary to the Prevention of Corruption Act as it forecloses inquiry and protects corrupt.

Observing the provision is arbitrary as there are inherent deficiencies in the working of Section 17A of the Act, Justice Nagarathna said there should have been an independent body which is not controlled by the government to consider a case for grant of prior approval to conduct an inquiry/enquiry/investigation by a police officer.

Meanwhile, Justice Viswanathan said striking down section 17A will be akin to throwing the baby out with the bath water and the "cure will be worse than the disease".

"If honest public servants are not given a basic assurance that decisions taken by them will not be subjected to frivolous complaints, it is the nation that will suffer. Public servants will resort to a play it safe syndrome and that will result in policy paralysis. The panacea of striking down will turn out to be worse than the disease," he said.

'Children should shun wealth acquired by parents through corruption'

NEW DELHI, PTI: Taking note of the existence and persistence of cancerous corruption in the country, Supreme Court judge B V Nagarathna urged youngsters and children on Tuesday to shun the wealth acquired by their parents through corrupt means.

A bench of Justices Nagarathna and K V Viswanathan delivered a split verdict on the constitutional validity of a 2018 provision of the anti-graft law that mandates a prior sanction for initiating a probe against a government servant in a corruption case.

The observation came while holding that section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption Act is unconstitutional and needs to be struck down.

Section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, introduced in July 2018, bars any "enquiry or inquiry or investigation" against a public servant for recommendations made while discharging official duties, without prior approval from the competent authority.

JUSTICE NAGARATHNA
Supreme Court Judge

"One's attitude of greed and envy ought to be curbed and eradicated from one's mind; otherwise, corruption and bribery, resulting in the acquisition of wealth beyond known sources of income, cannot be reduced or removed from our governance

The case will now be placed before Chief Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant for forming a larger bench to hear the matter for a final decision.

Moral standards affected

Justice Nagarathna said because of the mad race for becoming rich and acquiring properties overnight, a cancerous growth of corruption has affected the moral standards of people and all forms of governmental administration.

"The youth and the children of this country ought to shun anything acquired beyond the known sources of income by their parents and guardians rather than being beneficiaries of the same. This would be of a seminal service rendered by them not only towards good governance but also to the nation," the judge said.

"A person may compete with another so as to portray materialistic superiority. This may result in acquiring wealth illegally. One's attitude of greed and envy ought to be curbed and eradicated from one's mind; otherwise, corruption and bribery, resulting in the acquisition of wealth beyond known sources of income, cannot be reduced or removed from our governance.

"One of the ways in which such tendencies could be curbed is to develop a spiritual bent of mind, resulting in detachment from materialistic possessions and thereby, inter alia, focussing on service to the nation," she said.

Kuki MLAs won't join govt until Centre, state agree to UT demand

GUWAHATI, DHNS: MLAs belonging to Kuki-Zo communities in Manipur on Tuesday resolved not to support the efforts for a government formation without a written commitment from the state and the Centre to fulfil their demand for a Union Territory with a Legislature comprising Kuki-dominated districts.

This was decided in a meeting attended by representatives of Kuki insurgent groups in suspension of operations agreement, Kuki Zo Council (KZC) and the MLAs. The meeting set a deadline of 2027 when the current Assembly expires. "The new government must provide a written commitment to support the negotiated political settlement for UT with a Legislature under the Constitution," said a statement issued after the meeting.

The resolution came amid growing pressure from the BJP MLAs belonging to the Meitei community for the formation of a "popular government" in the state that has remained under President's Rule since February last year.

BANGALORE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
T. Chowdaiah Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru - 560 020

InNo: BDA/2025-26/SE0089 Date:13.01.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Bangalore Development Authority invites tenders for **"Establishment of Enterprise-Class Contingency Site for the IT Operation Hub at BDA".**
Tender documents are available on the e-Procurement portal from **13.01.2026,** and the last date for bid submission is **23.01.2026, 5:30 PM.** Technical bids will be opened on **27.01.2026 at 11:30 AM.** Interested bidders may refer to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for detailed information or contact the EDP Cell, BDA, Bengaluru.
Any changes or updates will be published only on the e-Procurement portal, so bidders are requested to check the portal regularly.

Sd/- Head of Department, EDP Cell, BDA, Bengaluru.

Campaigning for Maha civic body polls ends

MUMBAI, DHNS: The campaign for the elections to 29 municipal corporations of Maharashtra, which include the financial capital of Mumbai, drew to a close on Tuesday, the results of which are expected to provide an indicator of the public sentiment toward major political formations and ideological shifts in the state.

The voting is scheduled on January 15, followed by counting the next day.

The most significant aspect of the polls is that they cover all five geographical regions—Konkan, Western Maharashtra, North Maharashtra, Marathwada and Vidarbha. The result will be decided by 3.48 crore voters.

Among all the corporations, Mumbai assumes greater significance as the BrihanMumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) is the richest civic body of India, whose budget is bigger than more than a dozen states. In fact, nine of the corporations are in the Mumbai metropolitan region jurisdiction.

The civic polls are being held after a gap of more than six years, with the terms of these bodies having ended between 2020 and 2023, and the delay was on account of the Covid-19 pandemic and a bunch of court cases.

Will hold states, dog feeders liable for bites: Apex court

NEW DELHI, PTI

The Supreme Court on Tuesday said it will ask states to pay a 'heavy compensation' for dog-bite incidents and hold dog feeders accountable as it flagged its concern over the lack of implementation of norms on stray animals for the past five years.

A bench of Justices Vikram Nath, Sandeep Mehta, and NV Anjaria said that even dog lovers and feeders will be held 'responsible' and 'accountable' for dog-bite incidents.

"For every dog bite, death or injury caused to children or elderly, we are going to ask state governments to pay heavy compensation, as they did not do anything on the implementation of norms in the past five years. Also, responsibility and accountability will be fixed on those who are feeding these stray dogs. If you love these animals so much, then why don't you take them to your house. Why should these dogs loiter around, bite and scare people?" Justice Nath said.

Justice Mehta concurred with the views of Justice Nath and said, "Who should be held accountable when dogs attack a 9-year-old? The organisation that is feeding them? You want us to shut our eyes to the problem."

The Supreme Court warns states of 'heavy compensation' for dog-bite incidents. PTI FILE

The top court was hearing several petitions seeking modification of its November 7, 2025, order directing the authorities to remove these stray animals from the institutional areas and roads.

The top court said the worst part is that a lawyer from Gujarat was bitten in a park and when civic authorities went to catch that animal, the lawyers, who claimed to be dog lovers, attacked the civic officials.

The top court also lamented that for four days, it has been hearing arguments on the issue and was not allowed to proceed further in the matters by activists and NGOs and was not able to hear the views of the Centre and the states.

"Our request to all the lawyers is to allow us to take to task the union, the state authorities and other bodies... Allow us to pass an order. We need to spend half a day with the states and Union. To see whether they have a plan of action or not. The problem has multiplied a thousand times. We just want implementation of statutory provision. Allow us to do that. Allow us to work. Allow us to proceed further," the top court observed during the hearing.

At the outset, senior advocate Arvind Datar, appearing for an NGO, defended the apex court's November 7, 2025 order dealing with institutional areas, arguing that it was fully justified and supported by statutory rules. He contended that there was no need to constitute any new expert committee since reports of the existing committees were already on record.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
U R RAO SATELLITE CENTRE
HAL Airport Road, Vimanapura Post, Bangalore - 560 017
CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP
(Phone : 080 25084168, 4175, 4169) (Fax:080 25084155)
BRIEF CORRIGENDUM-II NOTICE

1. On behalf of President of India, item rate tender is invited for the following work.

Description	Details
Name of work	Replacement of Crab Hoist Assembly and drive mechanisms for existing various Capacity EOT Cranes at Main Campus, URSC, Vimanapura, Bengaluru – 560017.
E-Tender Notice	URSC/C and MG/ACMD/CRANE/1062/ETN 101M/2025-26 Dt.09.12.2025
Estimated cost put to Tender	₹ 87.16 Lakhs
Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	Extended upto 17:00 Hrs. on 20.01.2026
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**₹ 1,74,320/- (Validity for 180 days)**

2. Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**

Sd/-
Group Director (Construction & Maintenance Group)

Basaveshwara Medical College and Hospital
N.H48, Bypass road, K.H.B Colony, Chitradurga- 577501

Date:14/01/2026

TENDER NOTICE FOR VARIOUS HOSPITAL REQUIREMENTS

Sl.No	Name	size	Quantity
1	Cots(18 Gauge) Mattress (6ft*2.5ft) and Pillow (1.8ft*1.2ft) (As per the medical standers)	6.2fet to 2.5ft	130
2	Bed side lockers with compartment (MS- 18 Gauge)	1.5*1ft*2.8	300
3	Wheel chair with belt stainless steel	Standard size	10
4	Patient trolley with oxygen compartment mads by stainless steel	6.5ft*2ft	15
5	Recovery trolley	Standard size	5
6	Drip stand (SS-MS) with strong base multiple wheels	Standard size	150

Last Date for Submission of Bids: 23/01/2026 and Opening of Bids: 27/01/2026.
Bid Submission Details: Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "**Tender Notice for Various Hospital Requirements**" with the tender number and bidder's details. All tenders should be addressed to: Medical Superintendent, Basaveshwara medical college and Hospital, Chitradurga.
Place of Delivery: Basaveshwara Medical College and Hospital, N.H-48, Bypass road, K.H.B Colony, Chitradurga- 577501.
Contact for Queries: for any clarifications, please email **ms@bmch.edu.in**

BENGALURU WEST CITY CORPORATION
Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture
Zone-1, Rajarajeshwari Nagara, Bangalore-560091.

No. SADH/BWCC/RRN/TENDER/01/2025-26 Date: 13.01.2026

LETTER OF INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)
(SHORT TERM) (TWO COVER SYSTEM) (Through GOK e-procurement Portal only)

A) The Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (Rajarajeshwari Nagara), (Referred to as Employer in these documents) invites tenders to Implement in accordance with KTPP rules 2000, from eligible and experienced Person/Agencies / Firms (Referred to as Tenderers in these documents) registered in Labour department Maintenance of Parks.
B) The tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 3 of the instructions to tenderers to qualify for award of the contract (standard tender document KW-1,KW-2 KW-3 & KW-4)
C) Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-Procurement website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/portal-home** under login for Contractors.

Sl. No.	Name of the Works/Estimate Cost/EMD Amount./Category
1	Supply of water through tankers for Parks Medians and Circles in Rajarajeshwarinagar Assembly Constituency. Estimate Cost : **Rs. 25,00,000/-**, EMD Amount : **Rs.50,000/-**, Category : **Others**

Calender of events as follows:
(1) Date of Notification : **13.01.2026**, **(2)** Tender can be downloaded from: **16.01.2026**, **(3)** Tender Closing Date : **21.01.2026** at **5.00 PM**, **(4)** Technical bid opening date: **22.01.2026 11.00 AM Onwards**, **(5)** Financial bid opening date: **After Approval of Technical bids.**

Sd/- Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture,(Rajarajeshwarinagar Zone-1), BWCC.

Govt. of Karnataka
Department of AYUSH
Government Homeopathy Medical College & Hospital
Dr. Siddhaiah Puranik Road, Basaweshwarnagar, Bangalore-560079

Tender number: GHMC&H/10/Sup/2025-26 Date:31/12/2025

E-Tender Notification (Through kpp portal only)

To provide service of Manpower such as Sanitary workers, Ward Boy/Ayah, Peons, Security persons on outsource basis. Tender Approx. Value: **49.00 Lakhs (per annum).**

TENDER SCHEDULE

1.	Date of commencement of the Bid:	**08-01-2026, 16.00 p.m.**
2.	Last date for submission of the bid:	**22-01-2026, 14.00 p.m.**
3.	Opening of Technical Bid:	**23-01-2026, 14.30 p.m.**
4.	Opening of commercial Bid: **Date & Place of opening Financial Bid will be intimated to the technically qualified bidders.**	
5.	Venue: **Office of the Principal. Government Homeopathy Medical. College & Hospital Basaweshwarnagar, Bangalore-79.**	

The e-Tender Rules/Regulations can be downloaded from the website **https://kppp.karntaka.gov.in** from **03.01.2026.**

Sd/-
Chairman / Principal

DIPR/CP/RO4979/AAPL/2025-26

KARNATAKA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
#49, "Parisara Bhavan", 1st to 5th Floor, Church Street, Bengaluru-560001, Karnataka,
Phone: 25581383, 25589112, 25586520, Fax: 080-25586321
E-mail: ho@kspcb.gov.in, Website: https://kspcb.karnataka.gov.in

No. PCB 87 INFRA EPH 2025/4237 **Date: 13.01.2026**

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION

Karnataka Industrial Area Development Board has proposed for development of Dobaspet Industrial Area 7th Phase (Machanahalli Industrial Area) project in a total extent of 520.75 Acres at Geddalahalli, Machanahalli and Gottigere Village, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. The Project requires obtaining Environmental Clearance as per EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006, and it is required to conduct Environmental Public Hearing process. Accordingly, the Project Proponent has obtained Terms of Reference (ToR) issued by the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority -Karnataka dated 10.07.2025 vide File No. SEIAA 14 IND 2025, proposal No. SIA/KA/INFRA1/529268/2025 dated: 09.04.2025 and TOR Identification No. TO25B3102KA5325612N. As per project proponent request letter No. KIADB/EE-1/722/2025-26, dated: 31.07.2025 & RO -Nelamangala letter No. PCB/RO-Nelamangala/2025-26/698, dated: 28.11.2025 & RO –Nelamangala letter No. PCB/RO-Nelamangala/2025-26/848 dated: 08.01.2026 Deputy Commissioner has instructed to reschedule the date hence, the Environmental Public hearing is scheduled by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Rural District on **31st January 2026 Saturday at 11.30 AM.** The Environmental Public Hearing is being conducted by the Board as per details given below;

1. Name of the Company & Address: Executive Engineer-1, Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board, Zonal Office, Bengaluru, #14/3, 1st Floor, Maharshi Arvinda Bhavana, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru-560001.

2. Proposed location of the project : "Dobaspet Industrial Area" 7th Phase (Machanahalli Industrial Area) project in a total extent of 520.75 Acres at Geddalahalli, Machanahalli and Gottigere Village, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

3. Details of activity : Development of "Dobaspet Industrial Area" 7th Phase (Machanahalli Industrial Area) project in a total extent of 520.75 Acres at Geddalahalli, Machanahalli and Gottigere Village, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

4. Date, time and venue of Public hearing : Date: 31st January 2026 (Saturday) Time: 11.30 AM, Place: at Sy. No. 107/1, Machanahalli Village, Bengaluru Rural District.

5. Capital Investment : Rs.798.05Cr. (Project cost)

6. Places of availability of project documents kept open for public : **(a)** Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Beerasandra, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. **(b)** Office of the Chief Executive Officer, Bengaluru Rural District Zilla Panchayat, Bengaluru Rural District. **(c)** District Industries Centre, DC Office complex, Bengaluru Rural District. **(d)** Office of Tahasildar, Bengaluru Rural District. **(e)** Grama Panchayath Office, Geddalahalli Village, Kuluvnahalli village panchayath, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. **(f)** Grama Panchayath Office, Machanahalli Village, Shivagange Village Panhayath, Bengaluru Rural District. **(g)** Grama Panchayath Office, Gottigere Village, Shivagange Village Panhayath, Bengaluru Rural District. **(h)** Office of the Senior Environmental Officer- Bengaluru North, Urban Eco Park, 3rd floor, 100 feet road, 3rd Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bengaluru-560058. **(I)** Office of the Regional Officer, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Regional Office -Nelamangala, 1st Floor, Urban Eco Park, 100 Feet Road, 3rd Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bengaluru-560058. **(j)** Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, South Zone Office, E-3/240, Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wings, 17th Main Road, 2nd Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru – 560 034. **(k)** State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority-Karnataka (SEIAA), 4th Gate, 7th Floor, Forest Ecology and Environmental Department, MS Building, Bengaluru -560 001. **HELP DESK,** Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Ground Floor, No.49, Parisara Bhavan, Church Street, Bengaluru – 560 001.

NOTE: Suggestions, views, comments and objections of interested bonafide residents, environmental groups and others located at project site who are likely to be affected by the proposed project are invited, within 30 days from the date of publication of this Notification. They can also make oral/written/E-Mail suggestions to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board/Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee **(Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Rural District).** Interested public can participate in the Public Hearing at the above place. For details, please visit our website: **https://kspcb.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
Member Secretary

Our motto is to minimize waste generation through judicious use of natural resources

Frame rules for 25% EWS quota in private schools, govt told

NEW DELHI, PTI: Observing that granting admissions to poor kids in educational institutions "must be a national mission," the Supreme Court directed authorities on Tuesday to frame rules to ensure that the 25% quota in admissions for children from economically and socially weaker sections in private unaided non-minority schools is implemented.

The court said the grant of admission to kids from the EWS category is "an obligation of the appropriate government and the local authority. Equally, courts, be it constitutional or civil, must walk that extra mile to provide easy access and efficient relief to parents who complain of denial of the right."

The bench was dealing with aspects relating to difficulties faced by EWS category students in getting admissions under the Right to Education (RTE) Act, which has mandated 25% reservation for such children in private unaided non-minority schools.

A bench of Justices P M Narasimha and Atul S Chandurkar was hearing a special leave petition filed by a man whose children were not admitted to a neighbourhood school for free and compulsory elementary education in 2016, despite the availability of seats, following which he moved the Bombay High Court.

The HC rejected his petition on the ground that he had failed to apply in accordance with the online procedure for filling the reserved seats.

The bench said, "unfortunately", the petition against the HC's order was pending for long.

"However, to ensure that this situation shall not revisit parents like the petitioner again and again, we considered it appropriate to take up the case for precedent-making and decided to examine the efficiency and effectiveness of the procedures for complying with the mandate of (the RTE Act's) section 12 (extent of school's responsibility for free and compulsory education)," it added.

WORKER WELFARE

Guj unveils first-of-its-kind silicosis relief policy

SATISH JHA
AHMEDABAD, DHNS

The Gujarat government has announced a provision for one-time ex gratia assistance of Rs 3 lakh to people affected by silicosis.

The state government announced these decisions in an affidavit submitted to the Gujarat High Court in response to a petition seeking a comprehensive policy for rehabilitation and compensation for affected people.

Silicosis is a type of pneumoconiosis, a lung disease, which is caused by inhalation of silica dust. Workers at mines, queries, and ceramic factories are said to be the worst affected by it. A large number of them are usually migrant workers.

This is reportedly the first time that the state, which reports the highest number of silicosis cases, has introduced such a policy.

The government, in the affidavit, stated that by way of a resolution dated January 7, it took a "policy decision of granting one time assistant of Rs 3 lakh to the Silicosis-affected persons by way of ex gratia payment..."

Further, the Health and Family Welfare Department has approved "in the matter of extension of free diagnosis and free medical treatment to all the Silicosis affected persons in the state without there being any cap or limit." These facilities will be available in all the government-run hospitals and medical colleges.

The move comes nearly a year after the Peoples Training and Research Centre, an NGO, which has been working on the issues for a long time, along with over 20 affected people, moved the HC seeking rehabilitation schemes. The petitioners have also claimed that there was non-compliance with the Supreme Court's 2006 order addressing the issue.

Financial support to family

During a hearing on Monday, the HC further instructed the government to deliberate on the aspect of extending financial support to the families of affected individuals for education and marriages, among others.

The instruction was given after the petitioners highlighted the rehabilitation scheme of the Haryana government, which has such provisions besides ex gratia and medical facilities.

It was pointed out that people affected by silicosis are either permanently disabled or have damaged organs, making it impossible for them to earn their livelihood, which leads to the suffering of their families and children.

Massive fire erupts at Magh Mela in Prayagraj

LUCKNOW, DHNS: A major fire at the ongoing Magh Mela (an annual ritual on the Sangam, the confluence of Ganga, Yamuna and the mythical Saraswati rivers in Prayagraj) triggered panic among the devotees.

No casualties were reported in the fire that broke out at the Narayan Shukla Dham Camp on Tuesday evening, officials said.

The fire quickly spread to the nearby tents and a few shops were completely gutted.

Fire tenders which reached the spot within minutes, managed to douse the flames. The 'kalpvasis' (the devotees who camp on the banks of the Ganga for one month and perform rituals) also managed to run to safety after the fire broke out.

Senior officials have reached the spot to monitor the situation.Preliminary investigations attributed the fire to short circuit.

Large crowds of devotees have arrived at the Sangam for the holy dip on the occasion of the Makar Sankranti which would be celebrated on Friday.

Elaborate arrangements have been made at the Magh Mela area, which has been divided into several sectors. Saints and seers from across the country have set up their camps on the banks of the Ganga.

No plans to change 'tantri' of Sabarimala: Kerala minister

KOTTAYAM (KERALA), PTI: Kerala Minister V N Vasavan on Tuesday said that there were no plans to change the 'tantri' of Sabarimala, who comes from the ancient priestly family, 'Thazamon Madom, following the arrest of Kandararu Rajeevaru in the gold loss case.

Rajeevaru, the chief priest (tantri) of Sabarimala, hails from the Thazamon family whose roots run deep and are associated with the legend of Lord Parasurama.

Vasavan, speaking to reporters here, said there were no plans to remove the tantri as these issues can be examined by the Travancore Devaswom Board (TDB) only after the gold loss case is over.

Minister for Devaswom also said that the Thazamon family has traditional rights in the temple.

Vasavan added that the government will be going on appeal against the recent Kerala High Court ruling that the Kerala Devaswom Recruitment Board can no longer prepare the list of candidates to be appointed to various posts in the Guruvayoor Devaswom and aided educational institutions under it.

A division bench of the High Court had passed the order on a plea by the Guruvayoor Devaswom Employees Union Congress.

YSRCP seeks probe into ONGC Mori well blowout

HYDERABAD, DHNS: The opposition YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) has demanded a thorough and independent investigation into the massive blowout at ONGC's Mori Well-5 at Irusumanda in Malikipuram mandal of Dr B R Ambedkar Konaseema district, saying the incident exposed serious government negligence and suspicious contracting practices.

YSRCP state spokesperson and former Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) chairman Bhumana Karunakar Reddy said the blowout, which triggered flames rising more than 150 feet, destroyed crops across thousands of acres and caused losses running into hundreds of crores, but was now being falsely projected as a routine accident.

Five days after the blowout at Well Mori-5 in Andhra Pradesh's Konaseema region, Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) said it had brought the well under control and completed capping operations on Saturday.

The incident occurred on January 5 during service operations being carried out by PEC contractor M/s Deep Industries Limited.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪತ್ರ

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[ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ನಿಯಮ–5, 20(1) (ಬಿ)]

ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013ರ ಕಲಂ –11(1)ರ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ

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ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಉದ್ದೇಶಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಅಂದರೆ ವಸತಿ ಯೋಜನೆಗಾಗಿ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ದೇವನಹಳ್ಳಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಕುಂದಾಣ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಶ್ಯಾನಪ್ಪನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಮತ್ತು ವಾಜರಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಅನುಸೂಚಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಣಿಸಿರುವ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನತೆಯ ಅವಶ್ಯಕತೆಯಿರುತ್ತದೆಯೆಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರವು ಭಾವಿಸುತ್ತದೆ. ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಗೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 30)ಕ್ಕೆ ಅನುಗುಣವಾಗಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಅನ್ವಯಿಸುವಂತೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 23–07–2019ರಿಂದ ಜಾರಿಗೆ ಬಂದಿರುವ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ (ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ) ಕಾಯ್ದೆ – 2019 (2019ರ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 16)ರ ಕಲಂ–10(ಎ)ರಡಿ ಮೂಲ ಕಾಯ್ದೆಯ ಅಧ್ಯಾಯ–II & III ರಲ್ಲಿನ ಉಪಬಂಧಗಳನ್ನು ಅನ್ವಯಿಸುವುದರಿಂದ ವಿನಾಯಿತಿ ನೀಡಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಆರ್.ಡಿ.ನಂ.140ಎ.ಕ್ಯೂ.ಬಿ.2025 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 23–09–2025ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18–10–2025 ರಂದು ಪ್ರಕಟವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಆದುದರಿಂದ ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 30)ರ ಕಲಂ–12 ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಪ್ರದತ್ತವಾದ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಚಲಾಯಿಸುವಂತೆ ಗೃಹ ಆಯುಕ್ತರು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರಿಗೆ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ನೀಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಈ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕೆಲಸ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸುವಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ನೇಮಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಮೋಜಣಿದಾರರಿಗಾಗಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಈ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡುವವರಿಗಾಗಲೀ ಯಾರೂ ಅಡ್ಡಿ ಮಾಡಕೂಡದೆಂದು ಎಚ್ಚರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 30)ರ ಕಲಂ–11(1) ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ ಸದರಿ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಿರುವ ಭೂಮಿಯನ್ನು ಒಪ್ಪಂದದ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ವಿಕ್ರಯಿಸುವ, ಭೋಗ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಅಡವಿಡುವ, ಅನುಭವಿಸುವ, ಬದಲಾಯಿಸುವ ಅಥವಾ ಇನ್ನೂ ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳದಂತೆ ನಿರ್ಭಂದಿಸಿದೆ. ಅಂತಹ ಯಾವುದೇ ಕ್ರಮ ಅಥವಾ ಇನ್ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಂಡಲ್ಲಿ ಅದನ್ನು ಐತೀರ್ಪು ರಚಿಸುವಾಗ ಗಣನೆಗೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳದೇ ಅಂತಿಮವಾಗಿ ಸದರಿ ಕಾಯ್ದೆಯನ್ವಯ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗುವುದೆಂದು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 30)ರ ಕಲಂ –15(1)ರ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳವರು ತಮ್ಮ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪವಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ, ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡ 60 ದಿನಗಳೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಾರ್ಯಲಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬೇಕು. ತದನಂತರ ಸ್ವೀಕೃತವಾಗುವ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಯಾವುದೇ ಮುನ್ಸೂಚನೆ ನೀಡದೇ ವಿಲೇಯಕ್ಕೆ ಹಾಕಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರಕರಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಡುವ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಒಂದು ನಕ್ಷೆಯನ್ನು ವಿಶೇಷ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಾಧಿಕಾರಿ–1, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ಕಾರ್ಯಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆಗಾಗಿ ಇಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಅನುಸೂಚಿ

ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ : ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು: ದೇವನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಕುಂದಾಣ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಶ್ಯಾನಪ್ಪನಹಳ್ಳಿ

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ಪಹಣಿಯಂತೆ ಖಾತೆದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು		ಸರ್ವೆ/ಖಾತಾ ನಂಬರ್	ಸರ್ವೆ ಖಾತಾ ನಂಬರಿನಲ್ಲಿನ ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ (ಪಹಣಿ/ಉತ್ತಾರ ಅನ್ವಯ)		ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೊಳಪಡುವ ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ		ತರಹೆ	ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ /ಸರಹದ್ದು				ಷರಾ
	ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರು / ಹಿಡುವಳಿದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು	ಅನುಭವದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು		ಕೃಷಿ / ಕೃಷಿಯೇತರ ಜಮೀನು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಖರಾಬು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಕೃಷಿ / ಕೃಷಿಯೇತರ ಜಮೀನು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಖರಾಬು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)		ಪೂರ್ವ	ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ	ಉತ್ತರ	ದಕ್ಷಿಣ	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	ಇಕ್ವಿನೋಕ್ಸ್ ಗ್ಲೋಬಲ್ ಶೆಲ್ಟರ್ಸ್ ಪರವಾಗಿ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕರ ಪಾಲುದಾರರು, ಸಿ.ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಇವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಎ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ರವಿ	ಇಕ್ವಿನೋಕ್ಸ್ ಗ್ಲೋಬಲ್ ಶೆಲ್ಟರ್ಸ್ ಪರವಾಗಿ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕರ ಪಾಲುದಾರರು, ಸಿ.ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಇವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಎ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ರವಿ	21/1	0–25	0–02	0–23	0–02	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 31/1	ಸ ನಂ. 20	ಸ ನಂ. 23/3	ಸ ನಂ. 22/2	
2	ಮುನಿಚಿನ್ನಪ್ಪ–ದಾಸಪ್ಪ	ಮುನಿಚಿನ್ನಪ್ಪ–ದಾಸಪ್ಪ	21/2	0–03.04	0–00.04	0–03	0–00.04	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 21/1	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 21/3	
3	ಎನ್. ಆರ್.ರೂಪ ಕೋಂ ಸಿ ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್	ಎನ್. ಆರ್.ರೂಪ ಕೋಂ ಸಿ ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್	21/3	0–20.12	0–00.12	0–20	0–00.12	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 21/1	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 21/2	ಸ ನಂ. 20	
4	ರಾಮ ಕಾಳ– ಮುತ್ತ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ದೊಡ್ಡಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಮಂಜುನಾಥ ಎಸ್ ಪಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಟಾಲಪ್ಪ	ರಾಮ ಕಾಳ– ಮುತ್ತ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ದೊಡ್ಡಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಮಂಜುನಾಥ ಎಸ್ ಪಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಟಾಲಪ್ಪ	24	0–34	0–01 (ಅ) 0–01 (ಬ)	0–05 0–11 0–16	0–01 (ಅ) 0–01 (ಬ)	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 25, 28, 29/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 27/1,2, 3,4 26/4	ಸ ನಂ. 23/1	
5	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	26/1	0–09	0–01	0–08	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/2	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
6	ಭಾಗ್ಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಎಸ್ ಆರ್ ಮೇಘಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಂ ಎಸ್ ಕೆ ವಿನೋದ್	ಭಾಗ್ಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಎಸ್ ಆರ್ ಮೇಘಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಂ ಎಸ್ ಕೆ ವಿನೋದ್	26/2	0–07	0–00	0–07 ಮೇಲಿನ ಜಂಟಿ	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/3	ಸ ನಂ. 26/1	ಸ ನಂ. 40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
7	ಚಿಕ್ಕಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	ಚಿಕ್ಕಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	26/3	0–08	0–00	0–08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/4	ಸ ನಂ. 26/2	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
8	ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ	ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ	26/4	0–08	0–00	0–08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 27/1	ಸ ನಂ. 26/3	ಸ ನಂ. 40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 24	
9	ರಾಧಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ	ರಾಧಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ	27/1	0–10	0–00	0–10	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 27/2	ಸ ನಂ. 26/4	ಸ ನಂ. 40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 24	
10	ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕನಂಜಪ್ಪ	ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕನಂಜಪ್ಪ	27/2	0–11	0–00	0–11	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 27/3	ಸ ನಂ. 27/1	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 24	
11	ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ	ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ	27/3	0–10	0–00	0–10 ಮೇಲಿನ ಜಂಟಿ	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 27/4	ಸ ನಂ. 27/2	ಸ ನಂ. 40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 24	
12	ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಮುನಿ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಮುನಿ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	27/4	0–10	0–01	0–09	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 28/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 27/3	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 24	
13	ಲಲಿತಮ್ಮ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಿಳ್ಳಪ್ಪ ರಮಾದೇವಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಿಳ್ಳಪ್ಪ ನಂಜಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಗೋವಿಂದಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ ಎಸ್.ಎ. ನಾಗರಾಜು– ಬಿ .ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ ಮುನಿಚಿನ್ನಪ್ಪ– ದಾಸಪ್ಪ ಎಸ್.ಎಮ್. ಮುನಿಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ – ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ ತಿಮ್ಮಕ್ಕ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಮುನಿನಾಗಪ್ಪ ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಗೋಮಾಳ ಎಂ.ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಲಲಿತಮ್ಮ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಿಳ್ಳಪ್ಪ ರಮಾದೇವಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಿಳ್ಳಪ್ಪ ನಂಜಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಗೋವಿಂದಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ ಎಸ್.ಎ. ನಾಗರಾಜು– ಬಿ .ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ ಮುನಿಚಿನ್ನಪ್ಪ– ದಾಸಪ್ಪ ಎಸ್.ಎಮ್. ಮುನಿಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ – ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ ತಿಮ್ಮಕ್ಕ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಮುನಿನಾಗಪ್ಪ ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಗೋಮಾಳ ಎಂ.ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	41 (ಹೊಸ ನಂ. 57, 84, 85, 87 ಸೇರಿ)	61–23 ಎಕರೆ	0–00	0–36 ಮೇಲಿನ ಜಂಟಿ 1–04 1–10 1–14 1–05 1–07 1–38 0–39 13–30 0–38	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 54, 59, 70, 61, 57, 94, 55	ಸ ನಂ. 75, 76, 60, 78, 81, 58, 73, 63	ಸ ನಂ. 54, 63, 67, 92, 93, 26	ವಾಜರಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
14	ಡಾ.ಜಿ.ಎಸ್.ಫಣಿಭೂಷಣ್ ಬಿನ್ ಜೆ.ಸಣ್ಣೀರಪ್ಪ	ಡಾ. ಜಿ.ಎಸ್. ಫಣಿಭೂಷಣ್ ಬಿನ್ ಜೆ. ಸಣ್ಣೀರಪ್ಪ	43/1	1–35.08	0–00.08	1–35	0–00.08	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 43/2,3,4	ಸ ನಂ. 42/2,3	ಸ ನಂ. 43/5	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
15	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	43/2	0–26	0–05	0–21	0–05	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 44/2	ಸ ನಂ. 43/1,5	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 43/3	
16	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	43/3	0–21	0–03	0–18	0–03	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 44/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 43/1	ಸ ನಂ. 43/2	ಸ ನಂ. 43/4	
17	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	43/4	0–33	0–05	0–28	0–05	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 44/1	ಸ ನಂ. 43/1	ಸ ನಂ. 43/3	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
18	ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	43/5	0–04.08	0–00.08	0–04	0–00.08	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 43/2	ಸ ನಂ. 42/2	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸ ನಂ. 133/2	ಸ ನಂ. 43/1	
19	ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ – ಚಿಕ್ಕಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ ಸಿ.ಎಸ್.ಚನ್ನೇಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ – ಚಿಕ್ಕಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ ಸಿ.ಎಸ್.ಚನ್ನೇಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	44/1	1–03	0–01	0–21 0–21	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 45/1	ಸ ನಂ. 44/2	ಸ ನಂ. 44/2, ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 44/3	
20	ಸಿ. ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	ಸಿ. ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	44/2	1–03.08	0–01.08	1–02	0–01.08	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 44/1	ಸ ನಂ. 43/2,3	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ ಸ ನಂ. 133/1,3	ಸ ನಂ. 44/4, 3	
21	ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ ಶಿವಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ	ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ ಶಿವಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ	45/2	1–04	0–04	0–20 0–20	0–04	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/1	ಸ ನಂ. 45/1	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ ಸ ನಂ. 131	ಸ ನಂ. 45/3	
22	ಟಿ. ಹನುಮಂತೇಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಎನ್.ಸಿ.ತಮ್ಮಣ್ಣಪ್ಪ	ಟಿ. ಹನುಮಂತೇಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಎನ್.ಸಿ.ತಮ್ಮಣ್ಣಪ್ಪ	45/3	1–07	0–05	1–02	0–05	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/1,4, 46	ಸ ನಂ. 45/1	ಸ ನಂ. 45/2	ಸ ನಂ. 45/4	
23	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	45/4	0–19	0–02	0–17	0–02	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/6	ಸ ನಂ. 45/1	ಸ ನಂ. 45/3	ಸ ನಂ. 45/5	
24	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	45/5	0–18	0–01(ಅ) 0–02(ಬ)	0–15	0–01(ಅ) 0–02(ಬ)	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/6, 48	ಸ ನಂ. 45/1	ಸ ನಂ. 45/4	ಸ ನಂ. 48/1,2	
25	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	47/1	0–23	0–00	0–23	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/2	ಸ ನಂ. 45/2,3	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ ಸ ನಂ. 131	ಸ ನಂ. 47/4	

26	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	47/2	0–28	0–00	0–28	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/3,5	ಸ ನಂ. 47/1,4	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ ಸ ನಂ. 131	ಸ ನಂ. 47/7	
27	ಚಿಕ್ಕಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	ಚಿಕ್ಕಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	47/3	0–17	0–00	0–17	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 49/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 47/2	ಸ ನಂ. 47/8	ಸ ನಂ. 47/5	
28	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	47/4	0–11	0–00	0–11	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/2	ಸ ನಂ. 45/3	ಸ ನಂ. 47/1	ಸ ನಂ. 46	
29	ಎಸ್ ಎಂ ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್ ಎಂ ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	47/5	1–10	0–00	1–10	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 49/2,3	ಸ ನಂ. 47/2, 46 47/6	ಸ ನಂ. 47/3	ಸ ನಂ. 48/6	
30	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ – ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ – ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	47/6	0–28	0–00	0–28	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/5	ಸ ನಂ. 45/4,5	ಸ ನಂ. 46	ಸ ನಂ. 48/1,3,4	
31	ರಾಧಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್	ರಾಧಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್	47/7	0–14	0–00	0–14	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/3,5	ಸ ನಂ. 47/4	ಸ ನಂ. 47/2	ಸ ನಂ. 116	
32	ಮುನಿಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	ಮುನಿಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	47/8	0–17	0–00	0–17	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 49	ಸ ನಂ. 47/2	ಸ ನಂ. 47/9	ಸ ನಂ. 47/3	
33	ಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	ಬೈರಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	47/9	0–17.08	0–00	0–17.08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 49	ಸ ನಂ. 47/2	ಸ ನಂ. 47/10	ಸ ನಂ. 47/8	
34	ರಾಜ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	ರಾಜ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ	47/10	0–17.08	0–00	0–17.08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 49	ಸ ನಂ. 47/2	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 47/9	
35	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	48/1	0–03	0–00	0–03	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 48/3	ಸ ನಂ. 45/5	ಸ ನಂ. 45/5	ಸ ನಂ. 48/2	
36	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	48/2	0–20	0–00	0–20	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 40, 48/3	ಸ ನಂ. 48/7	ಸ ನಂ. 45/5, 48/1	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	
37	ನೊಮುಲ ವೆಂಕಟೇಶ್ವರಲು ಬಿನ್ ನೊಮುಲ ಸೀತಾರಾಮಯ್ಯ	ನೊಮುಲ ವೆಂಕಟೇಶ್ವರಲು ಬಿನ್ ನೊಮುಲ ಸೀತಾರಾಮಯ್ಯ	48/3	0–14	0–00	0–14	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 48/4	ಸ ನಂ. 48/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 47/6	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	
38	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	48/4	0–14	0–00	0–14	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 48/5,6	ಸ ನಂ. 48/3	ಸ ನಂ. 47/6	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	
39	ಎಸ್ ಎಂ ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್ ಎಂ ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	48/5	0–10	0–00	0–10	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 48/6	ಸ ನಂ. 48/4	ಸ ನಂ. 48/6	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	
40	ಎಸ್ ಎಂ ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್ ಎಂ ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	48/6	0–28	0–00	0–28	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 49/3	ಸ ನಂ. 48/4,5	ಸ ನಂ. 47/5	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	
41	ಶಿವರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಉ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ	ಶಿವರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಉ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ	48/7	0–10	0–00	0–10	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 48/8 48/2	ಸ ನಂ. 45/5	ಸ ನಂ. 45ರ ಹಿಸ್ಸಾಗಳು	ಸ ನಂ. 97	
42	ನಾಗರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಟಿ.ಸಿ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಂಕಯ್ಯ	ನಾಗರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಟಿ.ಸಿ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಂಕಯ್ಯ	48/8	0–10	0–00	0–10	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 48/2	ಸ ನಂ. 48/7	ಸ ನಂ. 48/7	ಸ ನಂ. 40	
43	ಸಿ. ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	ಸಿ. ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	49/1	1–21	0–02	1–19	0–02	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 51/1,2, 3,4	ಸ ನಂ. 47/3	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸ ನಂ. 130/1	ಸ ನಂ. 49/2	
44	ಸುಶೀಲಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಎಸ್ ಎಸ್ ಎನ್ ನಾಗರಾಜ	ಸುಶೀಲಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಎಸ್ ಎಸ್ ಎನ್ ನಾಗರಾಜ	49/2	0–36	0–01	0–35	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 51/4,5	ಸ ನಂ. 47/3,5	ಸ ನಂ. 49/1	ಸ ನಂ. 49/3	
45	ವೇಣು ಎಸ್ ಪಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಿಳ್ಳರಾಜು	ವೇಣು ಎಸ್ ಪಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಿಳ್ಳರಾಜು	49/3	2–00	0–24	1–16	0–24	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 50/1,3,5	ಸ ನಂ. 47/5, 48/6	ಸ ನಂ. 49/2	ಸ ನಂ. 39	
46	ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	50/1	2–04	0–02	2–02	0–02	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 50/2	ಸ ನಂ. 49/3	ಸ ನಂ. 51/5	ಸ ನಂ. 50/3,4	
47	ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	50/2	0–28	0–01	0–27	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/4,5,6	ಸ ನಂ. 50/1	ಸ ನಂ. 51/5	ಸ ನಂ. 50/4	
48	ಚಿಕ್ಕತಾಯಮ್ಮ ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಉ ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ	ಚಿಕ್ಕತಾಯಮ್ಮ ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಉ ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ	50/3	0–25	0–01	0–24	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 50/4	ಸ ನಂ. 49/3	ಸ ನಂ. 50/1	ಸ ನಂ. 50/5	
49	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	50/4	0–24	0–00	0–24	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/6	ಸ ನಂ. 50/3	ಸ ನಂ. 50/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 50/5	
50	ರಾಧಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್ ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ರಾಧಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್ ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	50/5	1–09	0–01	0–16 0–32	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/7,6	ಸ ನಂ. 49/3	ಸ ನಂ. 50/3,4	ಸ ನಂ. 37/4,5,6	
51	ಚನ್ನಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	ಚನ್ನಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	51/1	0–02	0–00	0–02	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/1	ಸ ನಂ. 51/8	ಕೊಯಿರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ. 127, 130/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 51/8	
52	ಸೌಮ್ಯ ಎಸ್ ಎನ್ ಕೋಂ ಶ್ರೀಧರ್ ಎನ್	ಸೌಮ್ಯ ಎಸ್ ಎನ್ ಕೋಂ ಶ್ರೀಧರ್ ಎನ್	51/2	0–07	0–00	0–07	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 51/6	ಸ ನಂ. 49/1	ಸ ನಂ. 51/8	ಸ ನಂ. 51/3	
53	ಎಸ್ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೀರಣ್ಣ ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ದೊಡ್ಡಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೀರಣ್ಣ ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ದೊಡ್ಡಬೈರಪ್ಪ	51/3	1–12	0–01	1–11	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/2,3	ಸ ನಂ. 49/1	ಸ ನಂ. 51/2,6,7	ಸ ನಂ. 51/4	
54	ವೇಣು ಎಸ್ ಪಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಿಳ್ಳರಾಜು	ವೇಣು ಎಸ್ ಪಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಿಳ್ಳರಾಜು	51/4	1–11	0–00	1–11	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/3,4	ಸ ನಂ. 49/2	ಸ ನಂ. 51/3	ಸ ನಂ. 51/5	
55	ಎಸ್ ಎಂ ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್ ಎಂ ವಿಜಯಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಬೈರಪ್ಪ	51/5	1–06	0–01	1–05	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/4	ಸ ನಂ. 49/2	ಸ ನಂ 51/4	ಸ ನಂ. 51/1,2	
56	ಬಚ್ಚಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಈರೇಗೌಡ	ಬಚ್ಚಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಈರೇಗೌಡ	51/6	0–27	0–00	0–27	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 51/7	ಸ ನಂ. 51/2	ಸ ನಂ. 51/1	ಸ ನಂ. 51/3	
57	ಬಚ್ಚಪ್ಪ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	ಬಚ್ಚಪ್ಪ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	51/7	0–17	0–00	0–17	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 51/6	ಸ ನಂ. 51/1	ಸ ನಂ. 51/3	
58	ಸಿ ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	ಸಿ ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	51/8	1–22	0–01	1–21	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 52/1	ಸ ನಂ. 51/1	ಕೊಯಿರಾ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 51/1	
59	ಚಿಕ್ಕ ಅನುಸೂಯ ಕೋಂ ಎನ್ ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ	ಚಿಕ್ಕ ಅನುಸೂಯ ಕೋಂ ಎನ್ ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ	54	1–13	0–00	1–13	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 70, 90	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
60	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	55	0–06	0–00	0–06	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 62	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 94	
61	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ – ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ – ದೊಡ್ಡಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	56	0–17	0–00	0–17	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 91, 100	ಸ ನಂ. 57, 61	ಸ ನಂ. 94, 62	ಸ ನಂ. 90	
62	ಪವನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಜಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಆರ್ ಗೋವಿಂದರಾಜು ಸುಮಾ ಗೋವಿಂದರಾಜು ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಆರ್ ಗೋವಿಂದರಾಜು	ಪವನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಜಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಆರ್ ಗೋವಿಂದರಾಜು ಸುಮಾ ಗೋವಿಂದರಾಜು ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಆರ್ ಗೋವಿಂದರಾಜು	59/1	0–15	0–00	0–15 ಮೇಲಿನ ಜಂಟಿ	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 59/2	
63	ಪ್ರದೀಪ್ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ ಬಿನ್ ಶಿವರಾಮ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ	ಪ್ರದೀಪ್ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ ಬಿನ್ ಶಿವರಾಮ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ	59/2	0–10	0–00	0–10	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 59/1	ಸ ನಂ. 59/3	
64	ಸಿದ್ದನಂಜಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಮರುಳಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ	ಸಿದ್ದನಂಜಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಮರುಳಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ	59/3	0–22	0–00	0–22	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 59/2	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
65	ಬಸಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಬಸಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ	61/1	0–23	0–00	0–23	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 56	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 57	ಸ ನಂ. 61/2	
66	ಸಿ. ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	ಸಿ. ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	61/2	0–20	0–00	0–20	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 56	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 61/1	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
67	ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಸಿ ಎನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	ಚೇತನ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಸಿ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	62/1	0–26.08	0–00	0–26.08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 95	ಸ ನಂ. 62/2	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
68	ಟಿ.ಸಿ.ನಾಗರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಂಕಯ್ಯ–ಭೂ.ಪ	ಟಿ.ಸಿ.ನಾಗರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಂಕಯ್ಯ–ಭೂ.ಪ	62/2	0–26.08	0–00	0–26.08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 62/1	ಸ ನಂ. 55, 94	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
69	ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ– ಬಚ್ಚಪ್ಪ	ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ– ಬಚ್ಚಪ್ಪ	63	1–07	0–00	1–07	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 73	ಸ ನಂ. 43, 42	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
70	ನಾಗರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಟಿ.ಸಿ.ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಂಕಯ್ಯ	ನಾಗರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಟಿ.ಸಿ. ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಂಕಯ್ಯ	67	0–25	0–01	0–24	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 90	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
71	ನಾಗರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಟಿ.ಸಿ.ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಂಕಯ್ಯ	ನಾಗರಾಜಯ್ಯ ಟಿ.ಸಿ. ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಂಕಯ್ಯ	68	0–02	0–00	0–02	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 40	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 40	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
72	ಶ್ಯಾಮಸುಂದರ್ ರೆಡ್ಡಿಮುಪಿಡಿ ಬಿನ್ ಮುಪಿಡಿ ನರಸಿಂಹ ರೆಡ್ಡಿ. ಹೆಚ್	ಶ್ಯಾಮಸುಂದರ್ ರೆಡ್ಡಿಮುಪಿಡಿ ಬಿನ್ ಮುಪಿಡಿ ನರಸಿಂಹ ರೆಡ್ಡಿ. ಹೆಚ್	69	1–00	0–01(ಅ) 0–02(ಬ)	0–37	0–01(ಅ) 0–02(ಬ)	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 98	ಸ ನಂ. 44, 45	ಸ ನಂ. 41	

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Five more J&K employees axed over terror links

SRINAGAR, DHNS: Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has intensified the administration's campaign against terror support networks operating within government institutions, ordering the dismissal of five government employees for their alleged links with banned militant organisations, officials said.

The terminations were carried out under Article 311(2)(c) of the Constitution, which permits the removal of government servants without a departmental inquiry when the authority is satisfied that such action is necessary in the interest of national security.

Officials said intelligence and investigative agencies had flagged the employees for alleged involvement in activities linked to Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Hizb-ul-Mujahideen (HM), even as they continued to hold positions of public trust and draw salaries from the state exchequer.

The latest action forms part of a broader effort by the J&K administration to dismantle the overground worker (OGW) ecosystem and terror logistics networks believed to be embedded within civil institutions.

Since 2021, the L-G's office has consistently maintained that tackling militancy requires not only counter-insurgency operations but also the removal of alleged facilitators operating under the cover of government employment.

In recent years, the administration has also acted against prominent government employees with alleged terror links, signalling a widening of the crackdown beyond low-level operatives.

Among those dismissed earlier were Syed Shahid Yusuf and Syed Shakeel Yusuf, sons of Hizb-ul-Mujahideen chief Syed Salahuddin, who were removed from service in 2021 following intelligence inputs alleging their involvement in activities prejudicial to national security.

A sadhu at a transit camp set up for pilgrims travelling to the Gangasagar Mela, at Babughat in Kolkata, on Tuesday. PTI

Odisha: Miscreants torch 3 vehicles, put up fake Maoist posters

BHAWANIPATNA, PTI: Miscreants torched three vehicles of a local contractor and put up fake Maoist posters in Odisha's Kalahandi district, police said on Tuesday.

According to the police, miscreants set fire to three vehicles parked in warehouse of the contractor, located on the Rupra Road–Chatamahal Road, about 10 km from Narla police station, on Monday night. Posters bearing Maoist symbols were found affixed at the premises along with threatening letters demanding Rs 35 lakh and warning of serious consequences in case of non-payment. The letters also contained threats against an individual, the police said.

A police team from Narla police station rushed to the spot and initiated probe. Preliminary enquiry revealed that the language used in the posters does not match that typically employed by Maoist organisations, said a police officer.

"Upon careful verification and analysis of the posters affixed at the spot, it was found that the said posters are fake Maoist posters," the police officer said.

"There is no movement of Maoists in the Narla area. The contents, style of writing, language used and method of propaganda are not consistent with the known modus operandi of Maoist organisations," said Kalahandi SP Nagaraj Devarakonda.

73	ಶಾಂತಮ್ಮ – ಪಿಳ್ಳರಾಜು	ಶಾಂತಮ್ಮ – ಪಿಳ್ಳರಾಜು	70	1–04	0–00	1–04	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 90	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 61	ಸ ನಂ. 54	
74	ವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ – ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ	ವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ – ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ	82	0–21	0–00	0–21	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 84	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 83	ವಾಜರಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗಡಿ ಸ.ನಂ. 31/1,2,3 & ಇದೆ ಊರಿನ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.41	
75	ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ	ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ	83	0–20	0–00	0–20	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 84	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 82	
76	ರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಚನ್ನೇಗೌಡ	ರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಚನ್ನೇಗೌಡ	86	0–38	0–00	0–38	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 85	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
77	ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ದ್ಯಾವಣ್ಣ	ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ದ್ಯಾವಣ್ಣ	88	0–38	0–06(ಅ) 0–02(ಬ)	0–30	0–06(ಅ) 0–02(ಬ)	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
78	ಎಸ್ ಸಿ ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ	ಎಸ್ ಸಿ ಆಂಜನೇಯ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ	90	0–30	0–00	0–30	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 70	ಸ ನಂ. 56, 61, 91	ಸ ನಂ. 41, 54, 67	
79	ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಎಸ್ ಎಸ್ ಬಿನ್ ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ	ರಾಮಾಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ ಎಸ್ ಎಸ್ ಬಿನ್ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ	91/1	0–20	0–00	0–20	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 91/2	ಸ ನಂ. 56	ಸ ನಂ. 100	ಸ ನಂ. 90	
80	ಶಿವಕುಮಾರ್ ಎಸ್ ಬಿನ್ ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ	ಶಿವಕುಮಾರ್ ಎಸ್ ಬಿನ್ ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ	91/2	0–20	0–00	0–20	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 92	ಸ ನಂ. 91/1	ಸ ನಂ. 100	ಸ ನಂ. 90	
81	ಮುನಿಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ – ಮುತ್ತಪ್ಪ	ಮುನಿಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ – ಮುತ್ತಪ್ಪ	92	1–00	0–03 (ಅ)	0–37	0–03 (ಅ)	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 93, 41	ಸ ನಂ.90, 91, 100	ಸ ನಂ. 95 99	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
82	ಬಚ್ಚಪ್ಪ – ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	ಬಚ್ಚಪ್ಪ – ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	93	0–20	0–01.08(ಬ)	0–18.08	0–01.08 (ಬ)	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ.41 ಕೆರೆ 40	ಸ ನಂ. 92, 41	ಸ ನಂ. 99	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
83	ಆಂಜೀನೆಯ – ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪ	ಆಂಜೀನೆಯ – ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪ	94	1–02	0–00	1–02	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 62	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 55	ಸ ನಂ. 41 57, 56	
84	ಬಚ್ಚಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಈರೇಗೌಡ	ಬಚ್ಚಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಈರೇಗೌಡ	95	1–07	0–01.08(ಬ)	1–05.08	0–01.08 (ಬ)	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 97, 99	ಸ ನಂ. 62	ಸ ನಂ. 96	ಸ ನಂ. 92, 99	
85	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿನಂಜಪ್ಪ	ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುನಿನಂಜಪ್ಪ	96	0–17	0–01	0–16	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 97	ಸ ನಂ. 95	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 95	
86	ಆಂಜೀನೆಯ – ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪ	ಆಂಜೀನೆಯ – ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪ	97	0–08	0–01	0–07	0–01	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 41 95, 96,	ಸ ನಂ. 48/7	ಸ ನಂ. 99	
87	ಬಚ್ಚಪ್ಪ – ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	ಬಚ್ಚಪ್ಪ – ದೊಡ್ಡಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	98	0–27	0–00	0–27	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 41, 69	ಸ ನಂ. 41	ಸ ನಂ. 43/1, 4 44	ಸ ನಂ. 41	
88	ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಗೋಮಾಳ	ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಗೋಮಾಳ	99	0–06	0–00	0–06	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ.40 ಕೆರೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 92, 95, 100	ಸ ನಂ. 95, 97	ಸ ನಂ. 92, 93	
89	ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಗೋಮಾಳ	ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಗೋಮಾಳ	100	0–08	0–00	0–08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 92, 99	ಸ ನಂ. 56	ಸ ನಂ. 41, 62	ಸ ನಂ. 91	
ಒಟ್ಟು				81–35.5	2–12.5	79–23	2–12.5						

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ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ಪಹಣಿಯಂತೆ ಖಾತೆದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು		ಸರ್ವೆ/ಖಾತಾ ನಂಬರ್	ಸರ್ವೆ ಖಾತಾ ನಂಬರಿನಲ್ಲಿನ ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ (ಪಹಣಿ/ಉತ್ತರ ಅನ್ವಯ)		ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೊಳಪಡುವ ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ		ತರಹೆ	ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ /ಸರಹದ್ದು				ಷರಾ
	ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರು / ಹಿಡುವಳಿದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು	ಅನುಭವದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು		ಕೃಷಿ / ಕೃಷಿಯೇತರ ಜಮೀನು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಖರಾಬು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಕೃಷಿ / ಕೃಷಿಯೇತರ ಜಮೀನು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಖರಾಬು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)		ಪೂರ್ವ	ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ	ಉತ್ತರ	ದಕ್ಷಿಣ	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಹೆಚ್ ಪಿ ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಹೆಚ್ ಪಿ ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	1/1ರ ಪೈಕಿ	5–16	0–00	0–19	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ.1/1 ರ ಉಳಿಕೆ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/1,34	ಸ ನಂ. 36	ಸ ನಂ. 25/3	
2	ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ– ಭೂ. ಪ	ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ	25/1	1–15.08	0–00	1–15.08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 24	ಸ ನಂ. 25/2	ಸ ನಂ. 1	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
3	ಕೆಂಪೇಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ	ಕೆಂಪೇಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ	25/2	1–15.08	0–00	1–15.08	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 25/1	ಸ ನಂ. 25/3	ಸ ನಂ. 1/1	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
4	ಬಚ್ಚೇಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ	ಬಚ್ಚೇಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ	25/3	1–36	0–00	0–24	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 25/2	ಸ ನಂ. 26/1,2	ಸ ನಂ. 1/1	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
5	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ – ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಟಾಲಪ್ಪ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಟಾಲಪ್ಪ	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ – ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಟಾಲಪ್ಪ ಕೆಂಪಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಪಟಾಲಪ್ಪ	26/1 26/2	3–29	0–00	1–00 0–29 2–00	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 1/1, 25/3	ಸ ನಂ. 27/1,2, 3,4,5	ಸ ನಂ. 34	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
6	ಜಯಮ್ಮ – ಎಚ್.ಪಿ.ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	ಜಯಮ್ಮ – ಎಚ್.ಪಿ.ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	27/1	1–30	0–00	1–30	0–00	ತರಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/1	ಸ ನಂ. 28	ಸ ನಂ. 33, 34	ಸ ನಂ. 27/2	
7	ಹೇಮಂತಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಶಿವಣ್ಣ	ಹೇಮಂತಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಶಿವಣ್ಣ ವೆಂಕಪಟಪ್ಪ – ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ ಚಿಕ್ಕ ಆಂಜಿನಪ್ಪ– ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ ರಾಜಣ್ಣ – ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ ಮಹೇಶ್ – ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ	27/2	0–35	0–00	0–35	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/1, 2	ಸ ನಂ. 28	ಸ ನಂ. 27/1	ಸ ನಂ. 27/3	
8	ಚಿಕ್ಕ ಆಂಜಿನಮ್ಮ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ	ಚಿಕ್ಕ ಆಂಜಿನಮ್ಮ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ	27/3	0–05	0–00	0–05	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/2	ಸ ನಂ. 28	ಸ ನಂ. 27/2	ಸ ನಂ. 27/4	
9	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ	ರಾಜಣ್ಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ	27/4	0–15	0–00	0–15	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/2	ಸ ನಂ. 28	ಸ ನಂ. 27/3	ಸ ನಂ. 27/5	
10	ಮಹೇಶ್ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ	ಮಹೇಶ್ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚಿಕ್ಕವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ	27/5	0–15	0–00	0–15	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 26/2	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 27/4	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
11	ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಹೆಚ್. ಪಿ.ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ಹೆಚ್. ಪಿ.ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	28/1	1–00	0–00	1–00	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 27/1,2, 3,4	ಸ ನಂ. 31/1	ಸ ನಂ. 32	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
12	ರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ರಾಮಣ್ಣ	ರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ ರಾಮಣ್ಣ	28/2	3–27	0–00	3–27	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 27/1,2, 3,4	ಸ ನಂ. 31/1	ಸ ನಂ. 32	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
13	ಕೆ.ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ – ಕಾಳಪ್ಪ ಕೆ.ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಕಾಳಪ್ಪ	ಕೆ.ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ – ಕಾಳಪ್ಪ ಕೆ.ಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಕಾಳಪ್ಪ	30/1	1–09	0–00	0–07 1–02	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 31/3	ಸ ನಂ. 29/3	ಶ್ಯಾನಪ್ಪನ ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 30/4	
14	ಎಸ್.ರಾಜಮ್ಮ ಬಿನ್ ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ	ಎಸ್.ರಾಜಮ್ಮ ಬಿನ್ ಶ್ಯಾಮಣ್ಣ	30/2	1–00	0–00	1–00	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 31/3	ಸ ನಂ. 29/3	ಸ ನಂ. 30/3	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
15	ರಮೇಶ್ ಬಿನ್ ಅಪ್ಪಯ್ಯಣ್ಣ	ರಮೇಶ್ ಬಿನ್ ಅಪ್ಪಯ್ಯಣ್ಣ	30/3	1–01	0–00	1–01	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 31/3	ಸ ನಂ. 29/3	ಸ ನಂ. 30/4	ಸ ನಂ. 30/2	
16	ಶ್ರೀ. ಸುಮುಖ್ ಆರ್.ಕೆ.ರಾವ್ ಬಿನ್ ಟಿ.ಎಸ್.ರಾಧಕೃಷ್ಣ	ಶ್ರೀ. ಸುಮುಖ್ ಆರ್.ಕೆ.ರಾವ್ ಬಿನ್ ಟಿ.ಎಸ್.ರಾಧಕೃಷ್ಣ	30/4	1–00	0–00	1–00	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 31/3	ಸ ನಂ. 29/3	ಸ ನಂ. 30/1	ಸ ನಂ. 30/3	
17	ಮುತ್ತಮ್ಮ – ಎಸ್. ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	ಮುತ್ತಮ್ಮ – ಎಸ್. ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	31/1	1–00	0–00	1–00	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 28, 32	ಸ ನಂ. 31/2	ಶ್ಯಾನಪ್ಪನ ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
18	ಆರ್.ನಾಗೇಂದ್ರ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ರಾಮಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ	ಆರ್.ನಾಗೇಂದ್ರ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ರಾಮಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ	31/2	1–33	0–00	1–33	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 31/1	ಸ ನಂ. 31/3	ಶ್ಯಾನಪ್ಪನ ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	
19	ಮಮತ ಸಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ ಎಂ ಸಿ ಸುಗುಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	ಮಮತ ಸಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ ಎಂ ಸಿ ಸುಗುಣ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ	31/3	2–00	0–00	2–00 ಮೇಲಿನ ಜಂಟಿ	0–00	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 31/2	ಸ ನಂ. 30/1,2, 3,4	ಶ್ಯಾನಪ್ಪನ ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಗಡಿ	

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Modi degree row: Gujarat HC dismisses Kejriwal's plea

AHMEDABAD, DHNS: In a further setback to Aam Aadmi Party's national convener Arvind Kejriwal and his party colleague Sanjay Singh, the Gujarat High Court on Tuesday dismissed their petitions seeking separate trials of criminal defamation cases against them.

The two AAP leaders are facing criminal charges filed by state-run Gujarat University in connection with the two leaders' alleged defamatory remarks related to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's academic degrees.

Arvind Kejriwal

Justice MR Mengdey pronounced the verdicts as "dismissed." On December 22, the court concluded the argument and had reserved the verdict.

The AAP leaders had moved the high court challenging the sessions court's order, which had dismissed their revision application demanding separate trials. They have sought separate trials on the grounds that their remarks were made on different dates.

In 2023, Gujarat University filed a criminal defamation case against Kejriwal, the then chief minister of Delhi, and Singh, AAP's Rajya Sabha MP, for making "sarcastic and derogatory" statements against the varsity with regard to the PM's degree. The varsity has alleged that the two leaders made derogatory statements in the press, which "tarnished its goodwill image."

These remarks were made after the two leaders reacted to a Gujarat HC order that quashed the chief information commission's, New Delhi, order directing Gujarat University to provide the postgraduate degree of the PM to Kejriwal.

500 stray dogs killed in Telangana villages over poll promise

HYDERABAD, PTI: In a fresh incident of stray dog killings, around 200 canines were allegedly killed in Telangana's Kamareddy district, taking the toll to about 500 in the last one week, police said on Tuesday.

Sources from villages said (some) elected representatives, including sarpanches, allegedly carried out the killings to "fulfil promises made to villagers" during the recent gram panchayat elections to tackle the stray dog menace.

Police said a case has been registered against six persons, including five village sarpanches, for their alleged involvement in the incident.

Earlier, police in Hanamkonda district had booked nine persons, including two women sarpanches and their husbands, in connection with the alleged killing of around 300 stray dogs in Shayampet and Arepally villages.

"Ahead of the gram panchayat elections held in December last year, some candidates promised villagers they would tackle the stray dog and monkey menace. They are now allegedly 'fulfilling' those promises by killing stray dogs," sources said.

The carcasses were buried on the outskirts of villages, police said, adding that veterinary teams exhumed the bodies and conducted post-mortem examinations.

PM to flag off Vande Bharat sleeper train

NEW DELHI, DHNS: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will flag off 11 trains, including the newly designed Vande Bharat Sleeper Express connecting poll-bound Assam and West Bengal, this weekend.

Modi will flag off nine Amrit Bharat Express Trains connecting Assam and West Bengal to different parts of the country, including Karnataka, Haryana, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Delhi, Odisha and Bihar, said a statement from the railways.

The Assembly polls for both Assam and West Bengal are expected to be held this year.

Govt nod for integrated battle groups: Gen Dwivedi

Indian Army undergoing a massive force restructuring

KALYAN RAY
NEW DELHI, DHNS

COMBAT-READY

- A variety of combat and support arms to come under one commander, for better operational responses
- Territorial Army recruitment has recommenced in 2025 after a gap of 5 years
- As a part of Army's restructuring process, two Rudra all arms brigades have been raised and seven more would be formed

After years of wait, the Indian Army has received government approvals to raise integrated battle groups, combining a variety of combat and support arms under one commander, for better operational responses, Chief of the Army Staff Gen Upendra Dwivedi said here on Tuesday while observing that raising of new formations like Bhairav battalions, Rudra brigade and Shaktimaan regiments would continue.

"Thirty-one government sanction letters for organisational changes have been approved in the past 14–15 months, including path-breaking IBGisation of Corps and raising of aviation brigades. Territorial Army recruitment has recommenced in 2025 after a gap of 5 years," Gen Dwivedi said at his annual press conference ahead of the 78th Army Day.

Sources said the first few IBGs–conceptualised by Chief of Defence Staff Gen Bipin Rawat–would be created first in the strike corps.

An IBG will typically comprise around 5,000–7,000 troops, making it larger than a conventional brigade (around 3,000–3,500) but smaller than a division (about 10,000–12,000). It would include infantry, armour, artillery, air defence, engineers, signals, logistics and other specialised arms and would be commanded by a Maj Gen rank officer. Gen Dwivedi said each IBG would be having around 16 units along with a support group.

The army has been undergoing a massive force restructuring to enhance multi-domain combat potency on the basis of a new concept of using "tail as teeth sharpener".

As a part of this restructuring process, two Rudra all arms brigades have been raised and seven more would be formed. A Rudra brigade is an integrated multi-domain brigade with built-in logistics, ISR, fires, and air coordination support.

In addition, 25 Bhairav light commando battalions would be raised, of which 13 have been formed so far. The Bhairav battalions would bridge the gap between Ghatak platoons and the Special Forces and use drones and counter drone systems. An electronic warfare brigade is also under consideration.

In artillery, 15 Shaktimaan regiments have been created and another 11 would be raised. Also, there will be 34 Divyastra batteries that will combine firepower of conventional artillery with precision targeting achieved by unmanned aerial vehicles and artificial intelligence technologies.

Empowered to examine citizenship for poll purposes: EC to SC

Says SIR won't lead to deportation, only exclusion from rolls

NEW DELHI, PTI

The Election Commission on Tuesday told the Supreme Court that it functions as the original authority in matters relating to electoral rolls and conduct of polls and its opinion is binding on the President if a person acquires citizenship of another country.

The panel submitted that the consequence of an adverse finding during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) would only be exclusion of the person's name from the electoral roll and does "not ipso facto (by that very fact) result in deportation", but it may be referred to the Centre for scrutiny and possible action under the Citizenship Act and related laws.

It also pointed out that in several regulatory frameworks, such as those governing mining leases or other statutory benefits, citizenship is a prerequisite and can be inquired into by the competent authority, countering the argument that the poll panel was exceeding its constitutional mandate.

The submissions were made by senior advocate Rakesh Dwivedi on behalf of the EC before a bench of Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justice Joymalya Bagchi which resumed final hearings on a batch of petitions that challenged the EC's decision to undertake the SIR exercise in several states, including Bihar, raising significant constitutional questions on the scope of the poll panel's powers, citizenship and the right to vote.

RAKESH DWIVEDI
Senior advocate

"If a person acquires, or is alleged to have acquired, the citizenship of another country, it is ultimately the Election Commission which examines the issue for electoral purposes, and its opinion is binding on the President.

The bench heard extensive submissions from Dwivedi, who defended the SIR exercise as being squarely within the constitutional mandate of the poll body and rejected the contention that it was a parallel citizenship-determination process similar to the National Register of Citizens.

He submitted that the Electoral Registration Officer (ERO), acting under the EC's supervision, is competent to conduct a limited inquisitorial inquiry for electoral purposes.

Dwivedi said in matters relating to elections, electoral rolls and the conduct of polls, the poll panel functions as the de facto (in reality) authority.

Referring to Section 146 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, particularly Sections 146A to 146C, the senior lawyer submitted that Parliament has provided a statutory mechanism empowering the EC to conduct hearings, take decisions akin to those of a civil court for deciding matters relevant to electoral rolls.

'Dead' voters on stage, Mamata slams EC & BJP

ANIRBAN BHAUMIK
KOLKATA, DHNS

West Bengal Chief Minister and Trinamool Congress supremo Mamata Banerjee on Tuesday accused the BJP of orchestrating mass disenfranchisement of genuine voters in the state. Her heir apparent, Abhishek Banerjee, presented 10 people at a rally, alleging that the Election Commission had struck them off the rolls by wrongly identifying them as 'dead'.

The ruling TMC intensified its attack on the EC after police recovered thousands of allegedly pre-filled Form 7s — used to object to the inclusion or deletion of names from electoral rolls — from local BJP leaders in Bankura district on Tuesday.

Addressing a press conference, Mamata showed journalists pictures of bundles of forms found in the boot of a car, alleging that the BJP, with the help of the EC, had been deleting the names of genuine voters from the rolls. The car, allegedly owned by a BJP worker, was intercepted by TMC activists. While three BJP workers fled the scene, two were detained by police.

"These were not blank forms. Names, details and objections had already been filled in, clearly pointing to a planned attempt to remove voters before they even knew what was happening," the TMC alleged in a statement, adding, "Who decided whose names would be deleted? Who authorised this mass manipulation of voter identity?"

Since the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in West Bengal began in October, the TMC has accused the EC of trying to give the BJP an edge in the upcoming Assembly elections, likely to be held in April or May.

"The EC, while sitting in Delhi, used AI tools devised by the BJP to delete names, particularly of women who changed their surnames after marriage. They have also declared many living voters dead and struck them off the list," Mamata alleged.

Meanwhile, Abhishek presented 10 people on stage during a rally in Cooch Behar, claiming that all of them had been declared dead by the EC and removed from the draft voter list published on December 16 at the end of the first phase of the SIR.

The EC struck off over 58 lakh voters, reducing the size of the electorate from 7.66 crore at the beginning of the year to 7.08 crore in the draft list.

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee addresses a press conference over the issue of Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls, in Kolkata, on Tuesday. PTI

HC to hear pleas on ED raids at I-PAC

The Calcutta High Court will on Wednesday hear petitions by the ED and the Trinamool Congress over the raid by the central agency at the residence and office of political consultancy firm I-PAC director Pratik Jain, with entry to the courtroom restricted only to lawyers concerned with these matters.

Congress to begin strategy meetings for poll-bound states

SHEMIN JOY
NEW DELHI, DHNS

RUN-UP TO POLLS

- Strategy meetings for Kerala, Bengal, Tamil Nadu and Assam
- Central leadership calls state units to Delhi for meetings
- Priyanka Gandhi likely to station herself in Assam ahead of polls

The Congress central leadership will begin meeting leaders from poll-bound states on Friday to finetune its electoral strategy, as it seeks to mount a formidable challenge to the BJP in Assam — where Priyanka Gandhi Vadra is likely to spend considerable time — and to the Left Front in Kerala.

Kerala leaders are the first to be called to Delhi for a meeting on January 16, two days after Screening Committee chairman Madhusudan Mistry's visit to the state from Tuesday, after the appointment of the panel to choose candidates.

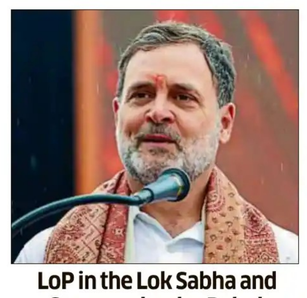
West Bengal leaders have been summoned on January 17, followed by a Screening Committee meeting in Kolkata the next day. Senior leaders from Tamil Nadu are scheduled to meet the central leadership, party sources said on Monday.

The schedule for meetings with Assam leaders is yet to be decided, though sources said it would take place next week. They added that Priyanka, appointed chairperson of the Assam Screening Committee, may station herself in Assam for a considerable time in the run-up to the polls.

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, General Secretary (Organisation) KC Venugopal and in-charges of poll-bound states, along with state president, legislature party leader and other senior leaders, will attend the meeting.

The meeting will finetune the poll agenda and strategy for each state, while also reviewing internal party dynamics. The central leadership will urge state units to fight the elections unitedly and project collective leadership, particularly in Kerala.

The leadership may also rein in a section of leaders from Tamil Nadu who have raised voices about the alliance with the DMK and demanded participation in the government. The central leadership and a dominant section in Tamil Nadu are opposed to creating noise against the DMK.



LoP in the Lok Sabha and Congress leader Rahul Gandhi speaks during an event, in Tamil Nadu's Nilgiris district. PTI

Rahul accuses Modi of blocking Vijay's 'Jana Nayagan'

CHENNAI, DHNS: On a day he was in Tamil Nadu to attend a school function, Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi on Tuesday came out in support of actor-politician Vijay by terming the attempt to block Jana Nayagan movie as an "attack on Tamil culture".

Rahul's X post, which came hours before he landed in Tamil Nadu, comes at a time when there is a visible strain in the relationship between Congress and DMK due to speculation that the national party was warming up to Vijay's Tamilaga Vetri Kazhagam.

"Mr Modi, you will never succeed in suppressing the voice of the Tamil people," Gandhi wrote on his X page without tagging Vijay or his party. However, the actor did not respond to Gandhi's message till the time of writing. TVK leader C T R Nirmal Kumar said they will be able to share their reaction on the issue only after Jana Nayagan is released.

In Gudalur in The Nilgiris, where he addressed a function organised by a private school, Gandhi shared the stage with DMK deputy general secretary and Lok Sabha MP A Raja and spoke about the need to respect "multiple languages, different religions, and different ideas."

Gandhi's support to Vijay also comes days after the Congress laid the blame for Jana Nayagan not getting Censor clearance on the BJP-led Union Government, saying the people of Tamil Nadu will not tolerate "censorship of cinemas" for political gains and bow down to "politics of intimidation".

Congress leaders told *DH* that Rahul's comments are a "clear attack on BJP" and sends a signal that he would continue to oppose the RSS ideology of "misusing" institutions to settle political scores.

J&K: Army opens fire on Pak drones along LoC in Rajouri

JAMMU, PTI

Indian Army troops opened fire to take down multiple suspected Pakistani drones that entered Indian territory from across the Line of Control (LoC) in the Rajouri district of Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday evening, army officials said in Jammu.

However, the drones briefly hovered in the Manjakote sector before returning to Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), officials said. This incident marks the second occasion in three days that the Indian Army has fired upon Pakistani drones in the Rajouri district.

Defence sources said that the Indian Army implemented counter-Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) measures after drones were spotted along the LoC in Jammu and Kashmir.

Around 7 pm, troops fired upon a few Pakistani drones when they entered Indian territory over Dunga Gala in the Chingus area of Rajouri. The drones subsequently vanished and are believed to have retreated to the other side, officials said.

Security personnel stand guard during an ongoing search operation in Anantnag, on Tuesday. PTI

Officials noted that army personnel detected the movement of two drone-like objects over the forward Dheri Dhara village around 7.35 pm and fired several live rounds to target them.

However, the suspected drones moved toward Kalali before returning, officials said, adding that a search operation was initiated to ensure no weapons or narcotics were airdropped by the drones.

On Sunday, troops guarding the Nowshera sector fired medium and light machine guns after observing drone activity over Gania-Kalsian village.

On the same day, drone movements were also detected over Khabbar village in Teryath, Kalakote in Rajouri, Tain-Topa in the Mankote area of Poonch district, and Chak Babral village in the Ramgarh sector of Samba. However, those flying objects returned within a few minutes.

Earlier on Friday night, security forces recovered an arms consignment, dropped by a drone from Pakistan, in Paloora village of Ghagwal near the International Border in Samba. The recovery included two pistols, three magazines, 16 rounds and a grenade.

Jaishankar speaks with Rubio on trade and defence ties

NEW DELHI, DHNS: External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and his United States counterpart Marco Rubio spoke over the phone on Tuesday, a day after US envoy Sergio Gor struck a positive note about the bilateral relations, which had been on a slide over the past several months.

"Just concluded a good conversation with @SecRubio. Discussed trade, critical minerals, nuclear cooperation, defence and energy. Agreed to remain in touch on these and other issues," Jaishankar posted on X.

The newly-appointed US ambassador also posted on X after the call. "They discussed next steps regarding our bilateral trade negotiations, critical minerals and a possible meeting next month," Gor said.

CPM's 'giant killer' crosses over to Congress in Kerala

ARJUN RAGHUNATH
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, DHNS

POLL BOOST

- UDF gains momentum ahead of polls with Aisha's entry
- Three-time former MLA accuses CPM of sidelining her
- There is also buzz over Kerala Cong (M)'s return to UDF
- Oppn leader says more from LDF and BJP camps to join UDF

In a boost to the Congress-led United Democratic Front (UDF) in Kerala ahead of the Assembly polls, a prominent CPM woman leader has crossed over to the Congress. There are also strong rumours that the regional party Kerala Congress (M) may return to the UDF from the CPM-led Left Democratic Front (LDF).

P Aisha Potty, a three-time former MLA from Kottarakkara in Kollam district, joined the Congress, accusing the CPM of sidelining her.

Her entry into the Kerala Assembly in 2006 marked a major political moment, after she wrested the Kottarakkara seat from Kerala Congress (B) leader R Balakrishna Pillai, who had held it for over 25 years. The upset earned her the reputation of a "giant killer".

Potty went on to secure a hat-trick of victories in Kottarakkara in 2006, 2011 and 2016. But she was denied the seat in 2021.

Meanwhile, the absence of KC(M) chairman and Rajya Sabha MP Jose K Mani from the protest led by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan against the Centre on Monday has further fuelled speculation that the KC(M) may return to the UDF. Reports also indicate that senior AICC leader Sonia Gandhi had directly spoken to Jose, the son of the late KM Mani — a towering figure in Kerala politics.

Church leaderships in Kerala are reportedly exerting pressure on the KC(M) to return to the Congress fold. The party has major influence across Christian belts.

Meanwhile, Opposition leader VD Satheesan said more parties from LDF and BJP camps are likely to join the UDF.

Candidate selection

AICC's screening committee has reached Kerala to begin candidate selection. Surveys have been conducted to identify winnable names, with state leaders set to continue discussions in Delhi.

Karur stampede: CBI summons Vijay again on Jan 19

CHENNAI, DHNS: After an intense seven-hour questioning on Monday, the CBI has asked Tamilaga Vetri Kazhagam (TVK) chief Vijay to appear again on January 19 in connection with the stampede at a rally in Karur on September 27 in which 41 people died.

Vijay

"He was asked to come today (January 13), but Vijay asked for a fresh date due to Pongal festivities. So, we agreed and have now fixed a new date," a CBI official said.

On Monday, Vijay was questioned for about seven hours about the stampede and why he arrived late for the rally. During the course of the questioning, Vijay is learnt to have pinned the entire blame for the stampede on the district administration.

Meanwhile, TVK leader C T R Nirmal Kumar alleged that there were several lapses in the case.

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BMIC deadlock calls for judicial clarity

Few infrastructure projects in Karnataka have promised as much – and delivered as little – as the Bangalore-Mysore Infrastructure Corridor (BMIC). Conceived in the mid-1990s as a solution to Bengaluru's congestion, the project has entered another uncertain phase after the Karnataka High Court directed the scrapping of the original agreement and its replacement with a more contemporary proposal. Rather than resolving a long-standing impasse, the well-intentioned order has added a layer of legal and administrative complexity. The court's reasoning rests on the doctrine of contractual frustration. Nearly 25 years after the Framework Agreement (FWA) was signed in 1997, barely one kilometre of the proposed 110-kilometre expressway was constructed. The court ruled that the project, as originally conceived, had lost its practical relevance, noting that the city's population had grown from around 70 lakh to over 1.6 crore.

However, this position sits uneasily with the Supreme Court's stance. In its 2006 judgment in *State of Karnataka vs. All India Manufacturers Organisation*, the apex court upheld the validity of the FWA, rejected allegations of fraud and excess land acquisition, and directed the state to implement the project strictly as envisaged. Subsequent orders, including clarifications in 2021, reiterated that the agreement could neither be diluted nor deviated from, asserting that contractual obligations could not be set aside due to political or administrative discomfort. Adding to the controversy are the findings of the 2016 legislative committee, which alleged serious irregularities, ranging from excess land acquisition and financial impropriety to missing government files and illegal mining. Central to the ongoing unease is the fact that the project proponent continues to hold large tracts of land acquired for the corridor and townships, even as the core expressway remains largely unbuilt. The High Court noted that while tolls are being collected on peripheral roads, the expressway exists largely on paper, leaving the proponent in possession of a substantial land bank without commensurate project delivery. These land holdings were intended not only for the expressway but also for a series of integrated townships that remain unimplemented.

Contractual obligations conflict with practical relevance. A reassessment is in order

Successive governments have struggled to act on legislative findings, constrained by Supreme Court orders and the binding nature of the FWA. The way forward now demands judicial coherence. Either the Supreme Court must reassess its earlier directions in light of changed circumstances, or the project must be scrapped if it no longer serves its purpose. This continued paralysis, where land remains locked, courts remain burdened, and citizens remain stuck in traffic, awaiting a corridor that may never materialise, cannot continue indefinitely.

Abuse by authority: A familiar plot

Three cases of alleged sexual abuse by people in positions of authority, in different parts of the country, have become public in the last few days. In Kerala, a Congress MLA – Rahul Mamkootathil – has been arrested on charges of rape and violent behaviour raised by a woman. Other women had recently levelled similar allegations against him. The legislator is alleged to have taken advantage of his position to exploit the women. He has been expelled from the party. Rahul Mamkootathil may not be representative of the political community, but the fact that the party did not initiate action against him in the beginning raises questions about its commitment to moral conduct in public life.

The other two cases involve sexual assaults on young sportswomen by their coaches. A hockey coach was arrested in Haryana's Rewari for allegedly raping and impregnating a Class 12 student. A teenaged national-level shooter has accused her coach of sexually assaulting her during the recent national championship in Faridabad. Both men have been arrested under provisions of the POCSO Act as well as the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita; they have been suspended and removed from their duties.

These cases have a striking common thread – influential positions the offenders held at the time of the crimes. In the eventual action against the accused, there are signs of a welcome shift. But these suspensions and arrests also signify an uneven delivery of justice. In 2023, when allegations of sexual harassment were raised by women wrestlers against Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh, who was at the time the president of the Wrestling Federation of India and an MP, the accused was shielded by the ruling establishment.

Three recent cases culminate in action against offenders, but power still outruns deterrence

From Unnao to Kerala, Haryana, and Delhi, the script of abuse is the same. Men in authority turn predators and target those who are under their care, and even strangers, as in the case of the Kerala MLA. The victims are offered personal or professional rewards, coerced or intimidated. Politics and sports are public domains that demand high standards of moral conduct and responsible behaviour from the leaders and administrators. It is likely that most cases of misconduct do not become public. A 2023 UNESCO report found that one-third of India's female athletes faced sexual abuse, harassment or inappropriate behaviour by male coaches. While the action taken in some of these cases signals hope, real change will emerge only when power is no longer immunity, and punishment is a certainty.

THE 10-MINUTE MIRAGE

Quick commerce and the costs of instant convenience

The sector has reshaped urban consumption in India, but mounting losses and worker strain threaten long-term viability

RAHM SHASTRY

The skyline of the Indian metropolis is no longer defined just by its tech parks or traffic jams, but by a frantic, neon-vested blur. The Quick Commerce (QC) revolution has transitioned from a pandemic-era experiment into a breathless, multi-billion-dollar sprint. But as the delivery promises shrink to single-digit minutes, the economic and moral costs are expanding at an unsustainable rate. From the dizzying height of venture capital funding to the asphalt-level reality of the delivery worker, the industry is operating on a logic that feels more like a fever dream than a business model.

The sheer scale of capital being incinerated in the QC market today is breathtaking. We are witnessing a high-stakes poker game played by five giants – Blinkit, Swiggy Instamart, Zepto, Amazon, and Tata's BigBasket. Each has deep pockets, collectively sitting on a war chest of nearly Rs 40,000 crore. Yet they continue to bleed cash quarter after quarter.

By competing on the razor-thin margins of groceries and the logistical nightmare of 10-minute delivery, quick commerce firms are essentially buying turnover. But groceries are far more essential and price-sensitive than a cab ride. While it's okay to pay a premium for milk in a pinch, why would a rational consumer routinely pay extra for a weekly basket of staples? Today, affluent urbanites spend upwards of Rs 40,000 a month on instant deliveries and prepared food. This is "peak-cycle" behaviour. When the global economy eventually stalls – a likely scenario given the wobbling AI boom in the US – the repercussions in India will be substantial. As the funding winter turns into a permafrost, the middle class will inevitably tighten its belt. When that happens, the 10-minute convenience will be the first luxury to be pruned from the household budget.

The only reason quick commerce makes any operational sense is the availability of cheap, desperate labour. If you stand on a street corner in Bengaluru, Mumbai, or Delhi, you will notice a stark demographic reality: the people delivering your Rs-50 chocolate bar are almost exclusively migrants. The work is back-breaking, and the stress is dehumanising. These workers are trapped in an algorithmic vice. To earn Rs 800-1,000 a day, a delivery partner must complete 25 to 30 orders. Including dead time (waiting at dark stores) and navigating India's chaotic traffic, this translates to 12-14-hour workdays.

They face stiff penalties for delays – a cruel irony given that they are risking their lives to shave seconds off a delivery for someone who likely doesn't need that sourdough bread right now. We are seeing a surge in road rage and

accidents involving delivery bikes. The industry is essentially subsidising its 10-minute promise with the safety and dignity of the most vulnerable sections of society. This reliance on a gig workforce with no social security net is a ticking social time bomb. It is a system built by the elite, for the middle class, on the backs of the poor. History tells us such structures do not have happy endings.

Even with an average order value (AOV) that has climbed to Rs 620 (up from Rs 450 in 2023), the math remains razor-thin. At 15% gross margin, you keep Rs 93. Deducting for delivery partner payout, dark store staffing and OpEx expense, wastage, shrinkage, and last-mile logistics expense, you get a contribution margin of -Rs 7 (yes, minus seven rupees). This is loss before corporate and marketing expenses. The money is being 'lost' as follows:

A dark store is a fixed-cost monster. You pay rent and staff 24/7, but the demand is peak-heavy (8 am-11 am and 6 pm-10 pm). During the "dead hours", your cost per order can spike from Rs 60 to Rs 150. To keep customers coming back, stores must stock high-frequency items like milk and bread. These have the highest wastage rates (5-8%). As platforms move into electronics, they face a new demon: Returns – A Rs-100 grocery order is rarely returned. A Rs-60,000 phone has a 5-7% return/replacement risk. The cost of a delivery partner going back to pick up a high-value item often wipes out the margin of 50 grocery orders.

The perils of unplanned purchase

A household that plans its weekly groceries is a household in control of its finances. Quick commerce, however, thrives on the opposite: the unplanned purchase. The industry wants to institutionalise impulse buying. While this works during a market boom when time is money, it fails the test of long-term economic logic.

The idea that we should never have to wait – that our every whim must be satisfied within 600 seconds – is creating a generation of impatient consumers who are decoupled from the reality of supply chains. Impulse buying is a feature of a surplus economy; planning is a feature of a stable one. When the market corrects, the thrill of the 10-minute delivery will be replaced by the cold reality of the delivery fee and platform fees.

The quick commerce bubble is currently inflated by a mixture of FOMO (Fear Of Missing Out) among investors and a temporary surge in urban disposable income. However, the fundamental math doesn't hold. You cannot indefinitely deliver low-value items (like a single bunch of coriander) using high-cost logistics while paying a living wage to the worker.

Consolidation is inevitable – over 700 startups shut down in India in 2025. Quick commerce is essentially becoming a three-player war (Blinkit, Swiggy, Zepto). Eventually, one of two things will happen: either prices will rise to the point where only the top 1% use these services, or the companies will pivot to a more rational 1 or 2-hour or next-day delivery model to survive. The 10-minute mirage will fade, the neon vests will decrease in number, and we will likely return to a world where we plan our lives a little better.

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RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE

Enough is enough. But when?

Abundance quietly taught me where to stop — from saris to savings

JAYANTHI SACHITANAND

'Enough' is like an elastic band that never snaps. My husband looked impatiently at me, totally bored, as I paid for my 210th sari.

"What are you going to do with so many saris? And who will use them after your time? There is no end to your buying."

"Oh, but each of them is so different – the colour, the weave, the texture. I just love them all," I said.

Every time I open my cupboard to decide what to wear, the saris tumble out because of their sheer numbers, and I am quite confused about what I even own. At such moments I tell myself that never again will I buy another sari. I think of various philosophies and *shastras* that teach us frugality, but the effect of these teachings lasts till my eyes chance upon the next sari. And so I keep adding to my collection.

Never drawing a line on what is enough is the bane of our existence. The boundaries seem to stretch endlessly as the area within keeps filling up.

Take money, for instance. Can we ever say we have enough? "I think I'll have enough after I buy a house, a car, educate my children, make houses for them, buy jewellery, furnish my house and so on." But even when all this is achieved, new needs crop up and boundaries are stretched yet again.

Even in the case of food, we eat more than we need the moment we see a lavish spread. Our stomach boundaries expand, and we no longer know when to stop and say "enough".

I was compelled to offload some saris once the wardrobe seemed filled to the brim. So I arrived at a solution. I decided to give away two saris for every sari I bought. This way, the new one would find a place. The beneficiaries were delighted with this scheme of mine. Similarly, I decided to give away 10% of my earnings to charity. Initially, it was a bit painful, because I could always find uses for that money. But when I saw how much the recipients gained from what was superfluous to me, I felt at peace with myself.

In the case of food, my ageing body did the trick, and 'enough' came automatically.

Sharing a little of what we have, and not endlessly striving for more than we need, should be our mantra for happiness. Enough should be enough—if we decide to make it so.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Merit under siege: NMC must reconsider its decision

The National Medical Commission's (NMC) decision to withdraw permission for the 2025-26 MBBS batch at the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Institute of Medical Excellence in Jammu and Kashmir raises serious constitutional and ethical concerns ('Withdrawal of MBBS permission', Jan 13). The institution had received approval just four months ago after meeting all academic, infrastructural, and clinical standards. The sudden reversal, driven by protests over religious identity, is troubling. Forty-two Muslim students secured their seats on merit by clearing the NEET examination, a national-level, religion-neutral test. Denying or disrupting their education punishes merit and rewards prejudice. No individual or organisation has the right to obstruct education based on students' religion. Linking institutional funding to religious offerings is legally invalid and morally flawed. The NMC's decision undermines its credibility and sends a dangerous signal that merit can be overridden by majoritarian pressure. Yielding to communal pressure erodes academic autonomy and violates the Constitution's guarantee of equality. Education is a right meant for eligible and deserving candidates, not a privilege to be distributed based on ideological preferences.
Vishal Mayur, Hyderabad

Stalemate persists

The stalemate in the succession struggle in Karnataka continues, with Congress President Mallikarjuna Kharge stating that the CM and Dy CM would be called to Delhi if necessary ('Will call Siddu, DKS if necessary', Jan 13). This is not the first time such a statement has been made, highlighting the party's inability to resolve the issue. The Congress high command appears to be at a loss on how to untangle the knot, revealing its weakness and indecisiveness. Speculation suggests that AICC General Secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala has distanced himself from the affair, as his diktat was ignored by senior ministers. Siddu's statements indicate he is unwilling to make a graceful exit, and the party brass is wary of offending him and DKS. The situation reflects poorly on the party's leadership and its ability to enforce discipline.
C V Aravind, Bengaluru

Not fair

The recent SSLC preparatory question paper leak is a theft of fairness, robbing honest students of dignity, effort, and hope. When teachers betray trust, education turns cruel, telling students that cheating wins and honesty doesn't. Every sold paper undermines the value of hard work and merit, damaging the education system as a whole.
Kirthana Sastry, Bengaluru

Transparency key

The debate around proposed smartphone security norms deserves a more balanced reading. In an era of rising cybercrime and data breaches, stronger regulatory oversight is not inherently a threat to privacy but a response to vulnerabilities. However, clarity and transparency are crucial to prevent misuse and panic. The focus should remain on accountability, clear safeguards, and informed public communication to ensure trust in both technology and governance.
Devank Maheswari, Bengaluru

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SPEAK OUT

The I&B Ministry's attempt to block *Jana Nayagan* is an attack on Tamil culture. Mr Modi, you will never succeed in suppressing the voice of the Tamil people...

Rahul Gandhi, Lok Sabha LoP and Congress MP

History proves over and over again that culture is ideally suitable for political propaganda...

Slavenka Drakulić

TO BE PRECISE

PM urges youth to lead India's journey towards a developed nation by 2047

IN PERSPECTIVE

Trump tests EU voice on Greenland

Quiet on Venezuela, firm on Greenland, Europe stands exposed for its selective defence of sovereignty

K M RAKESH

Europe swung from worrying reticence to a well-orchestrated response between the 'capture' of Venezuelan president Nicolas Maduro and Donald Trump ratcheting up his claim over Greenland, as even dense snowstorms couldn't hide the real intent of the American president bent on acquiring a piece of Europe at any cost.

It needed Left parties and rights activists to put up even a thin veil of resistance to compensate for the near-total absence of condemnation from European leaders over the 'capture' of Maduro and his wife in an unusual seizure that horrified the world. Demonstrators, mostly from Left-liberal organisations, hit the streets of several European cities to register their protest at the violation of international law by 'kidnapping' a president.

But European leaders sprang up in unison to counter Trump's claim for Greenland, an icy but mineral-rich semi-autonomous territory under the Kingdom of Denmark. Danish Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen pulled no punches in iterating that everything stops "if the US chooses to militarily attack another NATO country". This was a follow-up to her earlier assertion that the US "has no right to annex" Greenland.

Trump and his team have since intensified the demand for Greenland, with White House press secretary Karoline Leavitt citing options including "utilising the US military" to take over Greenland, leaving Europe in shock. European leaders immediately shed the hesitation that marked their response to the US military operation in Venezuela.

German Chancellor Friedrich Merz, Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni, French President Emmanuel Macron, British Prime Minister Keir Starmer, Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk, and Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez joined Frederiksen to rule out any change in Greenland's sovereignty.

"Greenland belongs to its people. It is for Denmark and Greenland, and them only, to decide on matters concerning Denmark and Greenland," they declared in a carefully-worded joint statement that didn't name Trump. European citizens and policy experts had earlier slammed their meek response to the US action in Venezuela.

American public policy analyst and professor at Columbia University, Jeffrey Sachs, described the response of European leaders to the military operation in Venezuela as "absolutely pathetic", a view that has since echoed in the region. There were none of those fiery words they rightfully used in slamming Russia and its President Vladimir Putin over the invasion of Ukraine that the Kremlin attributed to the eastward expansion of NATO.

From Merz's carefully crafted words that a reaction to the US military intervention requires "careful consideration" due to the complexity in its legal assessment, to Meloni's outright justification of the act as "defensive intervention", Europe basically cowed down before the Trump administration's controversial act in Venezuela.

The European Union had, in a statement issued on behalf of 26 member states minus Hungary, sought the proper application of international law and upholding the UN charter without explicitly contesting the 'capture' of Maduro, who is being tried by an American court for a cocaine-trafficking conspiracy.

German Vice Chancellor and Finance Minister Lars Klingbeil, who co-chairs the Centre-Left Social Democratic Party, a coalition partner of Merz's Christian Democratic Union, stood out by terming the incident as "very worrying". Although he contended that Maduro did lead an authoritarian regime, Klingbeil insisted "this (the action) cannot be a justification for disregarding international law".

Germany's opposition Green Party sniped at the Chancellor for his meek response. Citing the US intervention as a "violation of international law", the Centre-Left party's parliamentary leader Katharina Dröge warned Merz that "keeping a low profile is a disastrous strategy".

Ties under strain

European leadership dropped all restraint when Trump pushed for Greenland, and White House hinted at a possible military option. Although not the first time, as US Vice President J D Vance last March had not ruled out a military operation to take control of Greenland, the timing was key as it came soon after the episode in Venezuela.

The EU states had come under tremendous pressure from Washington after Trump assumed charge for his second term in office. Trump's call on European allies to hike their defence spending from 2 to 5% further strained US-EU ties. Germany was forced to ignore popular opinion to shed its post-World War II restraint as a defence-shy nation, largely dependent on American forces, to pump in billions of euros to modernise its military.

With the sole option in its toolkit being intense diplomacy, the EU now seems to be set for a bumpy phase in its historic ties with the US in light of Trump's designs on Greenland, initially seen as a brazen boast.

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Killing of Tripura youth: Racial innuendos demand firm action

M P NATHANAEL

In 1980, when my wife, Snehlata, based in Delhi, attempted to call me on the landline at my place of posting in Aizawl (Mizoram), she was directed to book the call under international booking. It took quite a while to convince the telephone operator that Aizawl was as much a part of India as New Delhi. Not much seems to have changed since then. Little is known to the denizens of our country about the northeastern states.

The death of 24-year-old Anjel Chakma, an MBA student from Tripura, who was stabbed by six goons in Dehradun on December 9 and succumbed to his injuries on December 26 merely because he objected to the racial slurs such as 'chinky', 'momos' and 'Chinese', has once again highlighted the racial hatred that has spread across the country in recent years. The hatred directed at people from the northeastern region across the country is worrying and dangerous for national unity. The police have not been adequately sensitised to the issue despite repeated incidents of racial discrimination and resultant hate crimes, including the murder of those who dared to challenge racial slurs.

This is not an isolated incident but part of a series of racial abuses targeting people from the Northeast. On March 25, 2020, two Nagaland students were not allowed to enter a supermarket in Mysuru, as their looks were assumed to be those of foreigners. This was despite their producing their Aadhaar cards to establish that they were Indians. Four employees were arrested after the incident went viral.

Nido Tania, a 20-year-old student of Arunachal Pradesh, died after being attacked by a few goons in Lajpat Nagar in New Delhi on January 30, 2014, when he objected to racial slurs hurled at him. The incident raised a furore across the country. Soon after, the government set up the Bezbaruah Commission to recommend measures to curb such incidents. The Commission submitted its report in July 2014.

Among its recommendations were the creation of nodal police stations for people from the Northeast, the appointment of nodal officers to attend to their grievances, the recruitment of youngsters from the Northeast into the police, the sensitisation of the police about the culture of people from the Northeast, the setting up of dedicated helplines for them, the provision of free legal assistance and the inclusion of chapters on the Northeast in school textbooks brought out by NCERT.

Though perfunctory efforts to implement the recommendations have been made, much still remains to be done. The Commission had recommended additions to IPC Sections 153C and 509A to deal with cases especially relating to denizens from the Northeast. Consequent to the IPC being replaced by the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita 2023, efforts were made to get deterrent punitive action included to be taken against those who dare to pass disparaging remarks against those from the Northeast. The recommendations were ignored, though there can be no gainsaying that stringent laws would have had a salutary impact on curbing such incidents.

While the incidents of racial slurs that end up in deaths hog the media headlines, umpteen such incidents go unreported, as the victims prefer to ignore them rather than to visit police stations where the police officers choose to ignore such complaints. The women in particular are taunted for their looks and language. Being vulnerable, they prefer to move in small groups.

Of much serious concern is the way the police handle the matters relating to people from the Northeast. Despite the incident clearly reeking of racial abuse, Superintendent of Police Ajay Singh stuck to his version that the incident in which Anjel Chakma was killed was not of racial discrimination. The police resisted the complainant Michael Chakma's efforts to file an FIR on December 10. On December 12, the police registered an FIR after the intervention of All India Chakma Students Union leaders. They took another two days to carry out the investigation and then arrested five of them, giving enough time to the Nepali boy who stabbed Anjel to flee to Nepal. It was only after Anjel succumbed to the injuries and the media highlighted the incident that it drew the required seriousness.

When Takam Todo of Arunachal Pradesh, a popular parkour athlete, was studying in Pune, he was attacked by a few local miscreants for his looks in August 2016. Having been hit by a stone on his head, he was left bleeding on the road. When he managed to reach Chaturshringi police station, they refused to accept his complaint. When the Northeast community in Pune intervened, an FIR was registered after six days.

Police apathy in incidents of racial slurs against the people from the Northeast or violent attacks calls for serious attention. Special units for the Northeast region need to be set up in every town that has a sizeable population of people from the Northeast, and any laxity in attending to complaints from them has to be dealt with strongly.

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Times journalists got a rare look inside one of the compounds where the online fraud industry makes its billions. Inspirational slogans like 'keep going' were just the start

HANNAH BEECH

Offices in Shunda Park were left in shambles after a surge of fighting between Myanmar military and rebel forces nearby. NYT

At this office park, scamming the world was the business

In a Southeast Asian war zone, cloaked in dense rainforest, the Chinese settlement dedicated to scamming people from Kentucky to Kazakhstan grew fast on fertile ground. Over just a few months, a sprawling office park materialized and metastasised in the chaotic borderlands of Myanmar, with cavernous rooms holding rows of computer monitors and walls decorated with inspirational work slogans: "Dream chaser," "Keep going," "Making money matters the most." In video conference suites, bookshelves stocked with fake business tomes and ersatz modern art simulated the kind of boardroom a successful crypto investor might inhabit.

The scam centre, Shunda Park, opened for business in 2024 with more than 3,500 workers from nearly 30 nations, including Namibia, Russia, Zimbabwe and France. Some had been kidnapped and enslaved, but all had become skilled in the art of the online grift. When the scammers bilked $5,000 out of someone, they struck a Chinese gong. A $50,000 shakedown earned a celebratory pounding of a giant drum, then an offering to a Chinese deity resplendent in his golden altar.

Some parts of the scammer complex resembled a prison. Other parts resembled executive offices. While each nationality required a different approach — for Americans, one scammer told me, the preferred mark was "white old men" — the general approach was the same: an online foray by a sympathetic and attractive person, followed by an invitation to participate in a select investment opportunity.

Victims were not just lonely hearts or technologically timid retirees. Using generative intelligence and deepfake videos, as well as fraudulent businesses, websites and financial apps, the scammers embraced the long con and reeled in people from almost every demographic. But in late November, Shunda Park was unexpectedly captured by a rebel force long at odds with the Myanmar military, whose coup nearly five years ago catapulted this Southeast Asian nation into civil war and created a chaotic space for criminality to thrive.

The photographer Jes Aznar and I were granted rare access to the scam compound to document the inner sanctum of this secretive, highly fortified industry. Shunda Park had been closed for business by the rebel militia, but we were able to meet some of its scammers, both those who were trying to return home and others who wanted to find another job in the fraud business.

With millions of people falling victim to online shakedowns every year, the cyber-scamming industry has quickly grown into one of the planet's most lucrative criminal enterprises, according to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

In the United States alone, in 2024, at least $10 billion was stolen through cyber-scams run out of Southeast Asia, the US Treasury Department said. That figure is likely only a fraction of the true toll because victims are often too embarrassed to admit they have been fooled. Late last year, the United States formed its first ever federal task force to combat scam centres and the Chinese transnational crime networks that American investigators say run them.

The Myanmar junta, which has imprisoned members of an elected government and killed thousands of civilians, recently vowed to tackle the scam networks. But its current crackdown feels like a Potemkin exercise. The global profits from online cons rival the gross domestic products of the countries where the fraud factories have proliferated, including Myanmar, Cambodia and Laos. These illicit proceeds do not just line the pockets of the gangs, most of which are originally from China; dirty money also flows to powerful elites across the region — most of all, crime-watchers say, to powerful people in the conflict-ridden, failed state of Myanmar.

Our journey to Shunda Park occurred during what was supposed to be a lull in the fighting between the Myanmar military and the opposition militia, known as the Karen National Liberation Army. (The Karen are one of Myanmar's many ethnic groups that have been persecuted by the military for generations.)

By the time we arrived in the village of Min Lat Pan, where Shunda Park is, the lull had ended. Our visit was punctuated by the thud of mortar rounds and the crackle of small-arms fire. At least three shells flew over our heads and landed across the river in neighbouring Thailand. The next day, a 60-millimetre mortar hit a building where we had been sheltering the day before, wounding three people, including our guide.

What we discovered inside Shunda Park's thick walls resembled a set for an apocalyptic film. Amid white office blocks, Chinese restaurants and luxury villas reserved for the compound's Chinese bosses, bonfires burned, consuming the tools of the illicit economy. Piles of electronic equipment — keyboards, tangles of cables and thousands of cellphones — littered the site. In some buildings, with nearly every step I took, I crunched on SIM cards, scattered like snow in the tropical heat. While members of the Karen militia handed over armfuls of evidence to the police in Thailand, along with a man identified as the compound's Chinese boss, no representatives of foreign governments or intelligence agencies have come to Shunda Park to investigate. Now, the fighting has intensified, and all of Shunda Park's workers have scattered. Other proof of scamming has gone up in flames.

"We are trying our best, but we are not scam experts," said Padoh Saw Taw Nee, the spokesman for the KNLA's political wing, as he leafed through a notebook with instructions on how to cheat middle-aged women in Taiwan. "We do not like that our land is known as the place where criminals cheat people."

The layers of victimhood at a place like Shunda Park are complex. Many of the scammers who worked here say they were duped, too. They arrived in neighbouring Thailand, thinking they had been hired for well-paying tech or marketing jobs. Others thought they were checking out merchandise for online sales businesses. Instead, they were hustled at gunpoint across the river that demarcates the border with Myanmar.

I spoke with several scammers whose bodies bore scars from beatings or tight shackles. They never received payment for their 12-hour shifts, they said. Life was a Sisyphean loop: sleep, eat, scam, eat, sleep, scam.

Kason, a 22-year-old from Malaysia who is being identified only by his first name, said he suffered only two "hard" beatings. But his legs and torso were crisscrossed with traces of lacerations from what he called "many, many" smaller beatings.

His job for more than a year was to send endless "hellos" into the social media ether. If he did not receive responses from at least 5% of the greetings, then he would be punished physically, he said.

In one of the Shunda Park workrooms, bobblehead dolls and fake gold bars enlivened the space. At the front, near a statue of a Chinese god worshipped by the gangsters, were three port-a-potty style boxes that scammers said were used as punishment chambers, in clear sight of the rest of the room. Elsewhere in the compound, a row of cement torture cells was outfitted with bars and shackles.

Without documents and passports, some of the scam centre workers could not cross the border into Thailand. Not all the workers at Shunda landed there unwillingly. Many of the Chinese employees at Shunda Park received salaries, a review of records in one finance office shows. A company called Huisheng International, for instance, had stacks of wage receipts, sick-leave forms and medical tests for HIV and syphilis, among other diseases, all written in Chinese. Employees were identified by nicknames like "Eastern Dragon" or "Little Li." Contracts in the office specified that workers would be bound by Myanmar labour law.

While most of the workers at Shunda Park were transported to safety via Thailand, about 900 Chinese workers refused to leave for more than two weeks, despite the compound being in the middle of an active conflict zone. The Chinese government has periodically cracked down on the scamming industry, arresting Chinese workers who are repatriated.

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A case for science in stray dog control

HARINI RAGHAVAN AND NANDITA SUBBARAO

The Apex court's ongoing *suo motu* cognisance of the stray dog issue has once again put the spotlight on two diabolical camps—'dog lovers' and 'dog haters'. This framing is both false and unproductive. At the core, both sides seek the same outcomes: reduced human-dog conflict, no dog-related fatalities, and zero rabies deaths.

The challenge before the courts is not to frame this as a contest between humans and dogs but to find workable solutions within existing laws—while ensuring government responsibility, accountability and systemic efficiency.

The Court's interim order of November 25, directing the removal of dogs from specific locations with fencing to prevent new ingress, may appear balanced. In practice, however, *ad hoc* measures are unlikely to resolve the underlying problem.

India is home to millions of free-ranging dogs. Housing even a fraction would require enormous infrastructure and sustained public funding. Estimates place the annual cost at over Rs 29,000 crore nationwide, with states like Karnataka alone requiring nearly Rs 5,000 crore—at a time when critical human welfare programmes remain underfunded.

Second, dog population and rabies control programmes are already stretched thin. If routine capture, sterilisation, and vaccination struggle to keep pace, it is unrealistic to expect these systems to manage mass removals and long-term confinement – either logistically or humanely.

Thirdly, removing dogs from an area creates a 'vacuum effect' -- a space that is quickly filled by unvaccinated, unsterilised dogs from neighbouring areas, often increasing conflict.

Warehousing dogs in cramped cages hardly reflects India's constitutional ethos of compassion under Article 51 A (g). Poorly managed shelters can also become sources of environmental contamination, threatening public health and urban wildlife.

What, then, does work? Evidence from India and abroad consistently points to sustained Animal Birth Control (ABC) combined with Anti-Rabies Vaccination (ARV). ABC-ARV is globally recognised as the most cost-effective, scientific and humane way to gradually reduce dog populations while breaking the rabies transmission cycle. Bhutan and the Netherlands have demonstrated its success through high sterilisation coverage and public awareness. In India, Goa's sustained interventions of the government-Mission Rabies have helped bring human rabies cases down to zero.

The Supreme Court itself mandated ABC–ARV in 2009 (SLP (c) 691-2009) across all districts. Yet compliance remains poor. Karnataka offers a partial exception. Bengaluru, under the Greater Bengaluru Administration, has developed a relatively comprehensive dog population and rabies control strategy. Each city corporation has a recognised ABC partner, and like in Goa, Mission Rabies supports mass ARV coverage and monitoring, and the city hosts the World Organisation for Animal Health Rabies Reference Laboratory, providing regional diagnostic expertise.

With dog censuses, real-time tracking and community participation, Bengaluru presents a data-driven model that can be scaled across Karnataka. With concurrent pet licensing – crucial given that nearly 25% of rabies cases are attributed to pet dogs – the state has the institutional capacity to lead the way towards becoming a rabies-dog-population-controlled state. The Chief Secretary of the State must place before the Court a strong and sustainable affidavit reflecting the state's capabilities, in keeping with the chief minister's stated support for scientific and compassionate solutions to human-dog coexistence.

More broadly, courts must hold states accountable for designing and executing time-bound plans with expert inputs. Responsible community caregiving, waste management and public awareness are integral to success. Stray dog management, like garbage management, sanitation, or traffic, is complex and continuous. Laws exist; the real challenge lies in implementation. There are no quick fixes -- only sustained political will, funding, public participation and patience.

Dogs are on our streets not by accident but by human design – products of domestication shaped over centuries. In urban ecosystems, they play largely unacknowledged roles, from waste scavenging and rodent control to providing companionship and informal security.

Punishing dogs for systemic failures is neither just nor effective. Impounding them often creates more problems than it solves. A nationwide, sustained ABC-ARV programme remains the only viable path forward --one that protects both human lives and animal welfare.

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OUR PAGES OF HISTORY

50 YEARS AGO: JANUARY 1976

BT Somanna heads BDA

Bangalore, Jan 13
Mr. B. T. Somanna, Chairman, City Improvement Trust Board, heads the newly constituted Bangalore Development Authority, according to a notification issued by the State Government here today. The 14-member BDA will come into effect from January 17. The other members of the BDA are: Wholetime members: Messrs B. Gopalakrishnan, finance member; V. D. Kulkarni, engineering member and N. Govindappa, town planner member; Part-time member: Mr. Charles M. Correa, Consultant Architect to the Karnataka Government.

25 YEARS AGO: JANUARY 2001

Meet on Ayodhya a damp squib

Lucknow, Jan 13 (PTI)
The much-hyped meeting of Hindu and Muslim leaders on the Ayodhya issue turned out to be a damp squib with only some leaders from Faizabad including BJP MP Vinay Katiyar attending it here today. One of the petitioners in the Ayodhya title dispute and an initiator of the dialogue, Mr Mohammed Hasim Ansari, kept away. The meeting decided to resolve the Mandir-Masjid dispute at the "local level" through talks and not allow "others" to draw political mileage out of it.

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Faith transforms lives

"Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase." This profound quote by Martin Luther King Jr captures the essence of faith. Faith is not blind belief; it is the courage to move forward despite uncertainty. But is faith, whether in the divine, in ideals, or in oneself, truly powerful enough to shape destinies and alter the course of life? History, philosophy, and lived experience answer this question with a resounding yes.

One finds a compelling explanation of this power in *Soundarya Lahari*, the celebrated spiritual text composed by Sri Adi Shankaracharya. Consisting of about one hundred verses, the work describes the divine beauty and boundless grace of Goddess Sri Kamakshi. In the sixth verse, it is said that even Manmada, the god of love, derives his immense power from the Goddess's mere side glance. Though formless and armed only with fragile weapons, and aided by the fleeting and unreliable spring season, Manmada is able to conquer the entire universe. His strength lies not in physical might but in his unwavering faith in the all-powerful Divine.

History offers equally inspiring examples. Mahatma Gandhi appeared frail in physical form, yet his unshakeable faith in truth, *ahimsa* empowered him to challenge an empire. It was this moral and spiritual conviction that elevated him to greatness and earned him the enduring title of the Father of our Nation.

Helen Keller's life stands as a moving testimony to the transformative power of faith. She believed deeply in optimism, hope, and confidence, once saying, "Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." With no sight or hearing, she was pushed into darkness. Yet, guided by faith in herself and her positive beliefs, she swam across it with extraordinary courage and determination.

Prahlad, a child devotee of Lord Vishnu, is another striking example. Despite facing relentless cruelty from his powerful father, the demon king Hiranyakashipu, Prahlad's steadfast faith remained unshaken. His life demonstrates that faith in the divine can render even the impossible possible.

At first glance, all these figures appear weak or powerless. Yet, it is they whom the world remembers and reveres.

Their unwavering faith and deep commitment lifted them to such great heights that no force could ever diminish. Indeed, faith does not merely move mountains-it transforms lives.

Andhra CM Naidu gets clean chit in skill development scam

CID clears TDP leader, says case registration a 'mistake of fact'

Chandrababu Naidu

S N V SUDHIR
HYDERABAD, DHNS

An Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) Court in Vijayawada on Monday approved a petition by the Andhra Pradesh Crime Investigation Department (CID) to close a case against Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu for his alleged role in misappropriating funds from the Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC).

The Skill Development Scam was said to have caused over Rs 300 crore in losses to the state exchequer.

Naidu, then an Opposition leader, was named as an accused alongside others during the YSRCP regime.

MAJOR RELIEF

- Skill Development Scam was said to have caused over Rs 300 crore in losses to the state exchequer
- CID found no evidence against Naidu.
- YSRCP condemned the decision, accusing Naidu of influencing agencies to shut cases against him.

He spent about 50 days in Rajamahendravaram Central Prison in 2023.

The case involved setting up clusters of Centres of Excellence (CoEs) with a total project cost of Rs 3,300 crore. The then-CID chief N Sanjay claimed the investigation implicated Naidu and the TDP as beneficiaries of the alleged misappropriation.

However, the CID later found no evidence against Naidu. In its petition, it described the case registration as a 'mistake of fact' and sought closure.

After hearing arguments on January 12, the ACB court accepted the submission, ordering the case closed against Naidu and 36 others.

The YSRCP condemned the decision, accusing Naidu of influencing agencies to shut cases against him.

Speaking to media on Tuesday, former minister Kurasala Kannababu said Naidu was setting a dangerous precedent by weakening probes under the guise of factual errors.

"Though he went to jail in the Skill Development case, it was closed along with seven others because the government fears YS Jagan Mohan Reddy raising these issues publicly," he added.

The party vowed to pursue legal recourse.

BRICS must work for reformed multilateralism: Jaishankar

NEW DELHI, PTI: The BRICS grouping must work for "reformed multilateralism" that reflects contemporary realities and acts as a constructive platform for dialogue and development, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said on Tuesday.

Jaishankar

Jaishankar also outlined India's objectives as the current chair of the 10-nation grouping.

"At a time when the world is navigating multiple complex challenges, the call for a reinvigorated, inclusive and effective multilateral order has never been more urgent," he said.

The minister made the remarks after unveiling the logo and theme of India's BRICS chairship for 2026.

"The current global environment presents complex and interlinked challenges. Geopolitical uncertainties, complicated economic landscapes, climate-related risks, technological changes, and persistent development gaps continue to affect countries across regions," he said.

"In this context, BRICS remains an important forum that encourages dialogue and cooperation, and practical responses, taking into account national priorities and different stages of development."

He said India perceives BRICS as a constructive platform for dialogue and development that complements the broader multilateral system.

Nat'l accreditation framework to cover tech institutes

AMRITA MADHUKALYA
NEW DELHI, DHNS

Technical institutes such as the National Institutes of Technology (NITs), the Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology (IIEST) and the Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research (IISERs) will now come under the purview of the national accreditation framework.

The reform was among several decisions taken at the 13th meeting of the Council of National Institutes of Technology, Science Education and Research held on Tuesday, chaired by Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan.

During the meeting, all NITs and IISERs agreed to complete external peer reviews within a year. The committee also decided to conduct specialised postgraduate and MTech programmes aligned with specific industry requirements. There was a strong focus on PhD reforms, with institutes agreeing to promote industry-led, industry-funded and product-based doctoral research. It was also decided that PhDs would be assigned to faculty based on their performance.

Dharmendra Pradhan

Pradhan said he reviewed the work of all seven IISERs on their academic output and future plans. "Suggested more student-focused approaches to unleash the full potential of our talented youth, as well as outcome-centric research to facilitate ease of living and societal advancement... The Standing Committee also brainstormed on the roadmap ahead for achieving academic and research excellence," he posted.

The council also stressed the importance of building an innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem. It was decided that the 13 NITs without incubation centres should establish them immediately, and at least 10 NITs should initiate the creation of research parks. A pitching conclave will be organised in July for start-ups incubated in NITs, in collaboration with investors and industry stakeholders.

Land-for-jobs scam: CBI tells high court Lalu had no role in hirings

NEW DELHI, PTI: Opposing Lalu Prasad Yadav's petition to quash its FIR in the land-for-jobs scam case, the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) on Tuesday said the RJD supremo had no role or "public duty" in the matter of appointment as a railway minister.

Solicitor General S V Raju, appearing for the CBI, argued before Justice Ravinder Dudeja that the power to take such a decision or make a recommendation was with the general managers and therefore there was no need to obtain prior sanction under section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption Act to proceed against Lalu as his conduct could not be said to be within the ambit of "discharge of his official functions or duties".

Lalu Prasad Yadav

"Our case is, in discharge of his official duties or functions, he (Lalu) was not required to make any recommendation or take a decision. Therefore, whatever decision or recommendation is made, it was not in discharge of his official duties. The recommendation or decision could only be taken by the general managers. Minister had no role," Raju submitted.

"Therefore, in (matters of) appointment, taking the decision to appoint, the railway minister had no role. So, Lalu had no role," the solicitor general added.

Justice Dudeja listed the case for further hearing next week.

MISCELLANY

◆ COMICS ◆

Blondie

EVERY WOMAN NEEDS A LITTLE BLACK DRESS
I AGREE!
THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A LITTLE BLACK DRESS TO MAKE YOU FEEL A LITTLE EXTRA PRETTY!
TRUE!
AND THE MORE YOU HAVE, THE PRETTIER YOU FEEL!
EVEN MORE TRUE!

Hagar The Horrible

YAH YAH
LUTE!
YOU DIDN'T SING ANY OF YOUR ORIGINAL SONGS TONIGHT!
IT WAS A VERY ROUGH CROWD! I'D RATHER COVER SONGS THAN COVER MY HEAD!

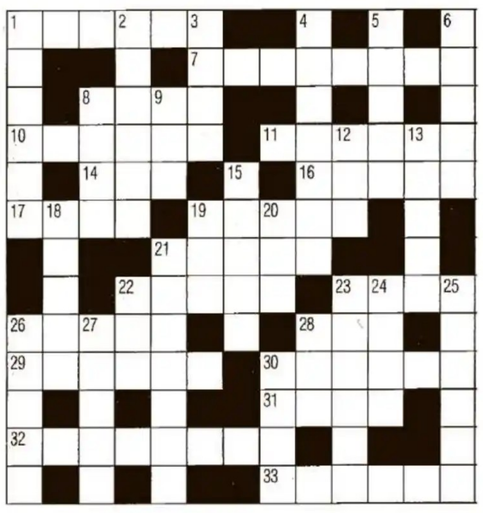
Beetle Bailey

THERE ARE 449,344 ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL IN THE U.S. ARMY
WHAT DOES THAT MAKE US?
VERY LITTLE FISH IN A REALLY BIG POND
GREG+MORT WALKER

Peanuts

Marvin

CROSSWORD CHALLENGE 12331



ACROSS
1 Of tribes (6)
7 Increase rapidly (8)
8 Ado (4)
10 Declares formally (6)
11 Become aware of (6)
14 Precipitation (3)
16 Of the nose (5)
17 Bereavement (4)
19 Provide food (5)
21 Group of nine (5)
22 Putrefy (2,3)
23 Sediment (4)
26 Parlance (5)
28 Feather scarf (3)
29 Sleazy (6)
30 Something unrevealed (6)
31 Cure (4)
32 Lacking solidity (8)
33 Make deeper (6)

DOWN
1 Christmas decoration (6)
2 Beasts (6)
3 Minus (4)
4 Rifle attachment (7)
5 Foundation (5)
6 Gem (5)
8 Crazes (4)
9 Stitch (3)
12 Pitch (3)
13 Light boat (5)
15 Trite (5)
18 Surpass (5)
19 Male swan (3)
20 Boy's name (3)
21 In name only (7)
22 Deity (3)
23 Find (6)
24 Nobleman (4)
25 Planet (6)
26 Edition (5)
27 Hibernian (5)
28 Insect (3)
30 Cast off (4)

CRYPTIC

ACROSS
1 Where I got to, having escaped from Siberia (6)
7 In short, she's less rude (8)
8 Persuade Mae to consume a cocktail (4)
10 In the bath, maybe, thus four-fifths naked (6)
11 In some dictionaries, it means "accuse" (6)
14 The chaps make me the new head (3)
16 Obstruct Derek most of the way (5)
17 Almost mistaken conclusion by a listener (4)
19 Gain access to a seat, perhaps (3,2)
21 A tall supporter (5)
22 It's very soft in any case, perhaps, for baby (5)
23 Young Simpson with a hereditary title (4)
26 Grand place to stay? (5)
28 Points out nothing is gained (3)
29 Excited about an extraordinarily late edition? (6)
30 Piece of business of substance (6)
31 Wild hugs, but with repeated utterances of distaste! (4)
32 Neat old Chinese decoration (8)
33 One way to retest (6)

DOWN
1 A tasty time, if only once a year? (6)
2 Vessel for beer, having a bit of a leak in it (6)
3 Like some old sausage dogs (4)
4 A less than outstanding substitute (5-2)
5 A novice you can see through (5)
6 Tryingly irascible (5)
8 She has two masters (4)
9 Portion of chicken, you know (3)
12 Little boy's room? (3)
13 Crave to become a speleologist (5)
15 It is handy that he has records (5)
18 Praise what was formerly a lot different (5)
19 Quite a bit of dodgy pain (3)
20 Play in panto yearly (3)
21 Where Sicilians have a weaker way of working (7)
22 Catch up with some late news (3)
23 Trouble to offer a bighead a choice (6)
24 Stan organises social workers (4)
25 It's fishy when trout are swimming around Beachy Head (6)
26 Erica or Edward (5)
27 Payment is required for transportation (5)
28 Surely he won't be still making jokes? (3)
30 Theirs is a silly game (4)

SOLUTIONS TO CROSSWORD 12330

CRYPTIC
ACROSS: 1, Clubs 6, P-hot-o 9, Leg-ally 10, Cabot 11, A-do-re 12, Nur-SE 13, Sent for 15, Deb 17, Trio 18, Petite 19, Clear 20, Ashore 22, Pine 24, Lot 25, Stare at 26, Silly 27, Men-us 28, Snail 29, Redcoat 30, Ut-t-er 31, Pound.
DOWN: 2, Leader 3, B-lotto 4, Set 5, Namur 6, Plaster 7, Hyde 8, T-arget 12, No(ta)ble 13, Steal 14, Nigh-t 15, DIX-i.e. 16, Bere-t 18, Party 19, Cruiser 21, So-Lent 22, Pro-nto 23, Nation 25, Slick 26, Su-re 28, Sap.

EASY
ACROSS: 1, Avoid 6, Olive 9, Nurture 10, Scare 11, Dally 12, Doyen 13, Dilates 15, Get 17, Amid 18, Sleuth 19, Poppy 20, Elicit 22, Slam 24, Sit 25, Rosette 26, Cover 27, Strut 28, Tepid 29, Balloon 30, Rebel 31, Eager.
DOWN: 2, Victim 3, Inroad 4, Due 5, Ethos 6, Orderly 7, Lean 8, Velvet 12, Depot 13, Dares 14, Limit 15, Guilt 16, Thyme 18, Spoor 19, Pivotal 21, Little 22, Serena 23, Attire 25, Reels 26, Cube 28, Toe.

◆SU-DO-KU-6803◆

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easy

SOLUTION TO 6802

4	8	2	9	3	5	1	6	7
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7	6	4	2	9	3	8	5	1
8	2	7	5	6	4	3	1	9
5	9	1	3	2	8	6	7	4
3	4	6	7	1	9	5	8	2

To solve the puzzle: To solve a su-do-ku puzzle, every digit from1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows, and in each of the nine boxes.

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N_1 L_1 I_1 R_1 T_1 E_1 A_1		RACK 1
O_1 O_1 O_1 D_2 F_4 N_1 N_1	2nd Letter Triple	RACK 2
O_1 H_4 R_1 O_1 C_3 E_1 T_1		RACK 3
A_1 E_1 L_1 A_1 A_1 L_1 P_3	Double Word Score	RACK 4

PAR SCORE 130-140
by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in the Collins English Dictionary. JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

C_3 O_1 P_3 T_1 E_1 R_1 S_1	RACK 1 =	61
M_3 E_1 S_1 T_1 I_1 Z_{10} O_1	RACK 2 =	104
M_3 A_1 I_1 L_1 E_1 D_2	RACK 3 =	12
B_3 E_1 L_1 I_1 E_1 D_2	RACK 4 =	9
PAR SCORE 120-130	JUDD'S TOTAL	186

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

RIWLT

WSEOH

RSDHUO

LYAASR

Take human bites!
No way! Not even Joey Chestnut could do that.
I can devour this in just two bites, I'm telling ya!
HIS CLAIM THAT HE COULD EAT ONE OF THE HOT DOGS IN JUST TWO BITES WAS ---

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SCOFF HOVER OUTLAW MURMUR
Answer: When they needed help with their Independence Day cookout, their friends — CAME "FOURTH"

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HITORI-3257

6	7	8	2	7	7	4	7
1	8	8	7	3	4	7	2
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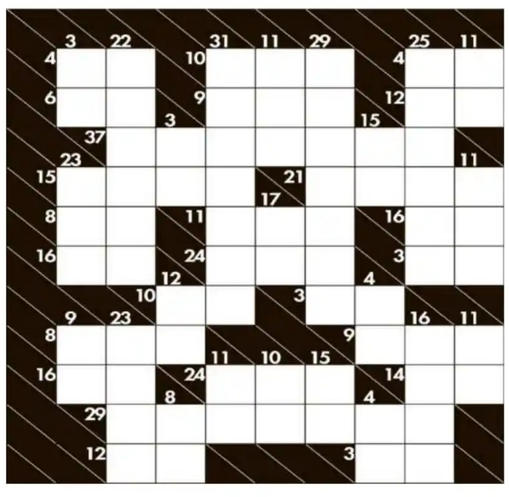
4	7	2	7	7	8	5	1
8	2	1	4	6	1	3	8
3	3	7	8	5	6	2	4
2	4	5	7	8	7	7	7

SOLUTION TO 3256

7	8	6	2	1	4	3	■
8	■	2	■	3	■	5	7
5	6	■	8	2	1	7	■
■	4	7	■	5	8	6	3
6	2	3	4	■	5	■	8
2	■	8	■	7	■	4	6
1	5	■	6	8	7	■	4
■	7	5	3	■	6	8	■

To solve the puzzle: Eliminate numbers by filling in squares so that remaining cells in that row or column do not repeat that number more than once. Filled-in cells cannot be horizontally or vertically adjacent. The un-filled cells must form a single component connected horizontally and vertically.

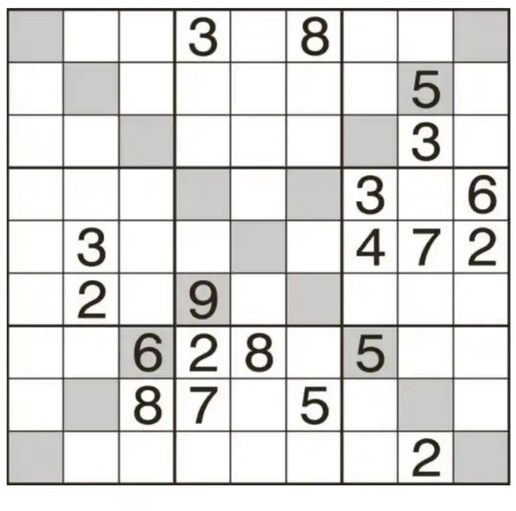
KAKURO- 3257



SOLUTION TO 3256

To solve the puzzle: Put a number from 1 through 9 in a cell. No zeros. A number in a cell separated by diagonal line tells the sum of numbers in consecutive cells at its right or downward. No number may appear more than once in consecutive cells.

SU DO KU X - 3796



SOLUTION TO 3795

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8	9	7	6	1	4	2	5	3
3	1	2	5	9	8	7	4	6
4	5	6	7	2	3	1	8	9
9	4	1	3	8	6	5	7	2
6	8	3	2	5	7	9	1	4
2	7	5	9	4	1	6	3	8

To solve the puzzle: The objective is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column, each 3x3 box and each shaded diagonal line contains the same number only once.

Trump promises 'help is on its way' and tells Iranians to 'keep protesting'

Death toll mounts as crackdown deepens

DUBAI, REUTERS

US President Donald Trump urged Iranians on Tuesday to keep protesting and said help was on the way, without giving details, as Iran's clerical establishment pressed ahead with its crackdown on the biggest demonstrations in years.

"Iranian patriots, KEEP PROTESTING – TAKE OVER YOUR INSTITUTIONS!!! ... HELP IS ON ITS WAY," Trump said in a post on Truth Social, adding that he had cancelled all meetings with Iranian officials until the "senseless killing" of protesters stopped.

The unrest, sparked by dire economic conditions, has posed the biggest internal challenge to Iran's clerical rulers for at least three years and has come at a time of intensifying international pressure following Israeli and US strikes last year. An Iranian official said earlier on Tuesday that about 2,000 people had been killed in the protests, the first time authorities have acknowledged the high death toll from an intense crackdown after two weeks of nationwide unrest.

The official, speaking to Reuters, said people he described as terrorists were responsible for the deaths of both protesters and security personnel. The official, who declined to be named, did not provide a breakdown of those killed.

Anti-Iranian regime protesters chant slogans outside the US Consulate in Milan on Tuesday. AFP

On Monday evening, Trump announced 25% import tariffs on products from any country doing business with Iran, a major oil exporter. He has also said further military action is among the options he is weighing to punish Iran over the crackdown.

Tehran has not yet responded publicly to Trump's tariff announcement, but it was swiftly criticised by China. Iran, already under heavy US sanctions, exports much of its oil to China, with Turkey, Iraq, the UAE and India among its other top trading partners.

Russia condemned what it described as "subversive external interference" in Iran's internal politics, saying on Tuesday that US threats of new military strikes were "categorically unacceptable". "Those who plan to use externally inspired unrest as a pretext for repeating the aggression against Iran committed in June 2025 must be aware of the disastrous consequences of such actions for the situation in the Middle East and global international security," the Russian Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

Despite the protests, which come at a vulnerable moment for the authorities given the scale of economic problems and years of external pressure, there are still no signs of fractures within the security elite that could bring an end to the clerical system in power since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

CHAOTIC STATE

- US President Donald Trump said on Tuesday he's cancelled talks with Iranian officials.
- Iranian state television on Tuesday offered the first official acknowledgment of the high death toll from a crackdown on nationwide protests. The acknowledgment came after activists said the death toll had surpassed 2,000.
- Iranian authorities will press charges punishable by death against some individuals arrested during recent protests, prosecutors said on Tuesday.

China warns retaliation over tariff threat

BEIJING, PTI: China, the largest buyer of Iranian oil, on Tuesday warned countermeasures against US President Donald Trump's decision to impose 25 per cent tariffs on countries trading with Iran, amid concerns that sanctions could end Beijing's reliance on cheaper oil imports.

Trump announced on Monday that any country "doing business" with Iran will have to pay a 25 per cent tariff on its trade with the US, a move that could impact Tehran's major trading partners such as China, India and the UAE. "There are no winners in a tariff war, and China will firmly safeguard its own legitimate and lawful rights and interests," Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Mao Ning said.

Trump's Iran tariff threats, coupled with the fall of the pro-Beijing Maduro regime in Venezuela which also supplied loan-linked oil supplies to China, sent "a dire warning" to Beijing's policymakers who analysts said need to urgently find ways to protect the country's strategic interests abroad.

WORLD AT A GLANCE

Japan's Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi (right) with South Korea's President Lee Jae Myung at the start of their meeting in Nara, Japan, on Tuesday. AFP

We choose to be with Denmark, says Greenland prime minister

▶ Greenland would choose to remain Danish over a US takeover, its leader said Tuesday, ahead of crunch White House talks on the future of the Arctic island, which President Donald Trump has repeatedly threatened, AFP reports from Copenhagen.

Trump has been talking up the idea of buying or annexing the autonomous territory for years, and further stoked tensions this week by saying the United States would take it "one way or the other". "We are now facing a geopolitical crisis, and if we have to choose between the United States and Denmark here and now, we choose Denmark," Greenland's Prime Minister Jens-Frederik Nielsen said at a press conference. "One thing must be clear to everyone: Greenland does not want to be owned by the United States. Greenland does not want to be governed by the United States. Greenland does not want to be part of the United States."

French farmers drive 350 tractors to Parliament

Protesters block Paris streets over low incomes

PARIS, AP/PTI

French farmers steered some 350 tractors on Tuesday over cobblestoned Paris avenues toward Parliament to protest low incomes and an European Union trade deal with South America that they fear threatens their livelihoods.

Escorted by police, the tractors tangled rush-hour traffic as they rumbled down the Champs-Elysees and other Parisian avenues, and then over the Seine River to reach the National Assembly. Farmer anger in France and other European countries has escalated over a rash of challenges recently.

The unions leading Tuesday's protests said they are demanding concrete and immediate action to defend France's food security. French farmers say their earnings are being squeezed by rising costs for fuel, fertiliser, and animal feed, as well as by what they describe as heavier environmental rules and price pressure from powerful retailers and food companies.

And like farmers across the European Union, the French farmers have long denounced the EU's planned trade deal with the Mercosur nations of Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay.

They argue the deal would flood the market with cheaper imports of South American beef, poultry, sugar and other farm products produced under different standards, undercutting European producers and driving prices down further. French government spokesperson Maud Bregeon said on TF1 television on Tuesday that the government would make new announcements soon to help farmers.

President Emmanuel Macron and his government also oppose the European Union-Mercosur trade deal, which has been under negotiation since 1999.

But European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen is expected to sign the deal in Paraguay on Saturday, after a qualified majority of EU member states backed it last week.

Tractors are parked near the National Assembly during a protest in Paris on Tuesday. AFP

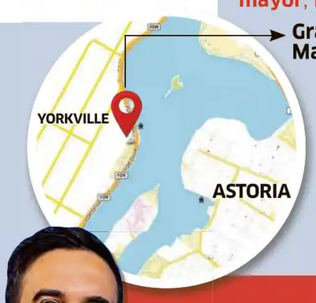
Gracie Mansion

York City Mayor Zohran Mamdani and his wife Rama Duwaji began moving into the official mayoral residence on Monday, leaving behind their leaky, one-bedroom apartment in Queens for a fully staffed mansion in Manhattan.

11,000 square feet (1,021 square meters) of space

Private chef ornate ballroom and a veranda overlooking the East River.

URBAN LEGENDS: The home also features the original **fireplace** at which Alexander Hamilton died following his duel with Aaron Burr. It is known for ghost stories and legends, frequently referenced by mayors. **city's last mayor, Eric Adams,** at least **one ghost.**



Nearly all of the city's mayors have slept – at least sometimes – in the stately, custard-colored **18th century** home, known as Gracie Mansion, since its **1942** designation as the official mayoral residence.

"Opening it up to New Yorkers who are not often the ones who get to visit such a place as this"
ZOHRAN MAMDANI
York City Mayor

His previous living quarters: a **$2,300** per month one bedroom apartment that lacked a washer and dryer, and was prone to flooding from a busted pipe.

China urges Canada to break from US influence

BEIJING, AP/PTI

As Canadian leader Mark Carney arrives in China on Wednesday, his hosts see an opportunity to peel the longtime United States ally away from their rival, at least a bit.

China's state media is calling on the Canadian government to set a foreign policy path independent of the United States — what it calls "strategic autonomy."

Canada has long been one of America's closest allies, geographically and otherwise. But Beijing is hoping that President Donald Trump's economic aggression — and, now, military action — against other countries will erode that longstanding relationship.

The government bristled at former United States President Joe Biden's efforts to strengthen relations with Europe, Australia, India, Canada and others to confront China.

Now it sees an opportunity to try to loosen those ties, though it remains cautious about how far that will go.

Carney, for his part, has focused on trade, describing the trip to China as part of a move to forge new partnerships around the world to end Canada's economic reliance on the American market.

'Dilbert' creator Scott Adams dies at 68

WASHINGTON, AP/PTI: Scott Adams, whose popular comic strip "Dilbert" captured the frustration of beleaguered, white-collar cubicle workers and satirised the ridiculousness of modern office culture until he was abruptly dropped from syndication in 2023 for racist remarks, has died. He was 68.

Scott Adams

His first ex-wife, Shelly Miles, announced the death on Tuesday on a livestream posted on Adams' social media accounts. "He's not with us right anymore," she said. Adams revealed in 2025 that he had prostate cancer that had spread to his bones. Miles had said he was in hospice care in his Northern California home on Monday.

At its height, "Dilbert," with its mouthless, bespectacled hero in a white short-sleeved shirt and a perpetually curled red tie, appeared in 2,000 newspapers worldwide in at least 70 countries and 25 languages. Adams was the 1997 recipient of the National Cartoonist Society's Reuben Award, considered one of the most prestigious awards for cartoonists.

Indian student killed in road accident

ASTANA, PTI: An Indian student was killed and two others injured when a group of medical students were involved in a road accident in Kazakhstan, the Indian mission said on Tuesday. The accident occurred in Oskemen, when 11 Indian students from the Semey Medical University were on their way back from an excursion trip, the Indian embassy here said on X.

Clintons refuse to testify in Epstein probe

WASHINGTON, AP/PTI: Former President Bill Clinton and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton say they will refuse to comply with a congressional subpoena for them to testify in an investigation into Jeffrey Epstein.

The Clintons are slamming a Republican-controlled committee's attempts as "legally invalid" as GOP lawmakers prepare contempt of Congress proceedings against them.

In a letter released on social media Tuesday, the Clinton's tell the chair of the House Oversight Committee, Republican Rep James Comer, he's on the cusp of a process "literally designed to result in our imprisonment."

Comer says he'll begin contempt of Congress proceedings next week. It potentially starts a complicated and politically messy process that Congress has rarely reached for. "No one's accusing the Clintons of any wrongdoing. We just have questions," Comer told reporters after Bill Clinton did not show up for a scheduled deposition on Tuesday.

Clinton has never been accused of wrongdoing in connection with Epstein but had a well-documented friendship with Epstein, a wealthy financier, throughout the 1990s and early 2000s.

Republicans have zeroed in on that relationship as they try to wrestle control over demands for a full accounting of Epstein's wrongdoing.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice for fhe Supply of Stores No E-01/2026

The following e-tenders / corrigenda are published in IREPS website. Firms are requested to login to **http://www.ireps.gov.in-login>e.tender-goods &services (new)** and quote against these tenders. Manual quotations will not be entertained for these tenders. **Closing time for all tenders 14:30 hours.**

Sl.No.	Tender No	Description	Due Date	Quantity
1.	68256081	KIT for overhauling of GD make	22/01/2026	66 Sets
2.	02256950	Electrosurgical Work Station for Gastroenterology	23/01/2026	1 Set
3.	03255641TP	RC for Manufacture and Supply of Pretensioned Prestressed Concrete (PSC)	27/01/2026	98 Sets
4.	52256960	Supply and fitment of upholstery fabric for seat	27/01/2026	1.50 Nos.
5.	26255051	Bolster with Gray Paint for WAP-4 loco	28/01/2026	17 Sets
6.	21250805	36 Months POH Kit for ELGI Air Compressor	28/01/2026	68 Sets
7.	26252172B	Set of primary springs for WAG-7 locos	29/01/2026	384 Nos
8.	11250341	Carbon Brush for BG AC EMU Traction Motor	29/01/2026	18390 Nos
9.	15250272A	Terminal Block (Small-M6 Terminals)	29/01/2026	120527 Nos
10.	26251000	Relay Earth Fault to Power Circuit (QOP)	30/01/2026	84 Nos
11.	02256947	Fully Automated Coagulation Analyzer	30/01/2026	3 Items
12.	68256085	Kit for 6 Yearly Schedule (without Intercooler)	30/01/2026	12 Sets
13.	03255646A	RC for Manufacture and Supply of 10mm Thick Nylon Cord Reinforced Grooved Rubber Sole Plate	02/02/2026	2000 Sets
14.	26251451	Motor Contactor of 1500 AMPS	02/02/2026	167 Nos
15.	26251004	Relay Field Excitation Over Load (QE)	02/02/2026	66 Nos
16.	90257087	2x500KVA IGBT Based Hotel Load Converter	02/02/2026	1 Set
17.	78256835	Microprocessor Controller for Roof Mount	03/02/2026	48 Nos
18.	26250047	High Tensile Transition CB Coupler for AC Locos	04/02/2026	87 Sets
19.	26251117	Aluminium Impeller for Centrifugal Type	04/02/2026	108 Nos
20.	26251148	Pantograph Mounting Insulator	04/02/2026	522 Nos
21.	06250079	Vinyl Coated Upholstery Fabric (artificial Leather)	05/02/2026	2 Items
22.	26251443	Shunting Contactor Type "TCP-718-M16-4"	06/02/2026	487 Nos
23.	15251007	Calling on Led Signal Lighting Unit	06/02/2026	1387 Nos
24.	26251332	Electro Magnetic Contactor Complete	06/02/2026	173 Nos
25.	16255014	Supply of CNC under Floor Wheel Lathe (BG)	09/02/2026	1 No
26.	15251005	Supply of Shunt Led Signal Lighting Unit	09/02/2026	2612 Nos
27.	03255673	RC for Manufacturing and Supply of Pre Stressed Mono-Block Concrete Sleeper	09/02/2026	13200 Nos
28.	21250762	Non-Asbestos based 'K' Type High Friction Composite Brake Block	09/02/2026	96095 Nos
29.	68265005	Duplex Pressure Gauge (MR-ER) & BC-BP Gauge	11/02/2026	2 Items
30.	67255322A	Guard Seat Assembly Complete for BVCM Wagon	11/02/2026	240 Nos
31.	15260233	Contact Springs in Sets for Q Relays	12/02/2026	58110 Sets

Principal Chief Material Manager

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(1)	**Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. E-28/2025, Sl.No.11, Tender No. 52256908A Item: BOGIE LOAD TESTING MACHINE-50 TON**		
	FILED NAME: Tender Closing Date, Time	**Existing:** 12/01/2026 14:30	**Read As:** 27/01/2026 14:30
(2)	**Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. E-28/2025, Sl.No.10, Tender No. 16255016 Item: CNC SURFACE WHEEL LATHE (BG)**		
	FILED NAME: Tender Closing Date, Time	**Existing:** 12/01/2026 14:30	**Read As:** 30/01/2026 14:30
(3)	**Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. E-26/2025, Sl.No.10, Tender No. 03255001TP Item: Manufacture and Supply of Mono-Block Pre-Stressed Concrete Line Sleeper**		
	FILED NAME: Tender Closing Date, Time	**Existing:** 12/01/2026 14:30	**Read As:** 22/01/2026 14:30
(4)	**Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. E-26/2025, Sl.No.9, Tender No. 11255010, Item: Jointless Grooved Copper Contact Wire 107 SQ.MM**		
	FILED NAME: Tender Closing Date, Time	**Existing:** 12/01/2026 14:30	**Read As:** 19/01/2026 14:30
	Documents attached with Tenders	**Existing:**	**Read As:** IEEMA PVC CABLE R 1 12 2025 DEC 2025

Commercial-Compliance: Existing

PRICE VARIATION CLAUSE: P1= P + (L2-L1), P1: Basic Price Payable Per MT in Indian Rupees. P: Basic Price Quoted Per MT in Indian Rupees for Contact Wire offered by Tenderers based on IEEMA PRICE CIRCULAR as mentioned in the Tender. **L1:** Basic Price of Copper Wire Rod 19.6MM (in Rs. Per MT) as per IEEMA PRICE CIRCULAR for the month of DEC-2025 attached with this tender. **L2:** Basic Price of Copper Wire Rod 19.6 MM (in Rs. Per MT) as per IEEMA PRICE CIRCULAR for the month, two months prior to the date of offering the material for final inspection.

NOTES: A) In case of supplies beyond the original D.P., denial clause shall be applicable regarding PVC. **B)** Documentary evidence for L2 must be produced even if PVC variation is not claimed. **C)** The price of copper is in Rs./MT and is excluding of GST and other Statutory Levies. **D)** In case of Multiple Call Dates for Final Inspection, First Call Date will be Cut-off Date for PVC calculation. **E)** Tenders should clearly note that they should quote rates strictly as per PVC indicated in the PVC formula, given above, offers not complying with above shall be treated as unresponsive and the same shall be summarily rejected.

Principal Chief Material Manager

CENTRAL RAILWAY
SOLAPUR DIVISION
Electrical Work

Tender No. SUR/TD/T/2025/23R The Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (TRD), Central Railway, Solapur, for and on behalf of the President of India invites online e-tenders on Railways e-procurement website **www.ireps.gov.in** from reputed, experienced & licensed Electrical contractors for the following works. **Name of Work**: Electrical TRD portion of work in connection with provision of one long-haul loop line in each direction at Malthan station in Daund-Solapur section of Solapur Division. (Re-Invitation). **Estimated Cost**: ₹1,22,40,703.62/- **Bid Security:** ₹2,11,200/- **Completion Period:** 12 Months. **Validity of offer:** 60 Days. **Date & time of tender closing on website**: **10.02.2026** at **15:00 hours**.

Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (TRD)
Akar/Sur-3 CR, Solapur
Keep your animals away from railway lines

Rail Wheel Plant/Bela (Distt. - Saran), Bihar - 841221

Open E-Tender Notice No.: RWP/STORES /WORKS/ADVT/25-26/15, Dated: 10.01.2026. Tender No. S_RWP_TPT_ERC_2025-26_02A, Due on 10.02.2026, "Principal Chief Materials Manager/Rail Wheel Plant, Bela for and on behalf of the **President of India** invites **online "e-Open Tender"**, through Indian Railways E-Procurement Portal (IREPS) **www.ireps.gov.in** for transportation of Scrap. **1. Name of work with its location, Qty and completion period** : Collection, Loading & Transportation of Elastic Rail Clips (ERC), qty. 3500MT from various locations of Indian Railways to Rail Wheel Plant Bela, Saran, Bihar-841221 under distance slab 500-1000 KM (taking average lead distance 750KM.) Note: Unloading at Destination shall be done by Railways. **Completion period:** 12 months from the date of issuance of LOA, **2. Approx. cost of the work:** Rs. 1,07,88,750.00, **3. Earnest Money to be deposited :** Rs. 2,04,000/-, **4. Tender closing date and time :** 10.02.2026 up to 14:15 hrs., **5. Website particulars, Notice Board location where complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc.** : For full details and submission of bid kindly visit Portal (IREPS) **www.ireps.gov.in**. The prospective firms / bidders submitting bid are advised to remain in touch with IREPS Portal **(www.ireps.gov.in)** for updates including **Addendum/Corrigendum/Cancellation** with respect to the above tender because no such any notice/information concerned that shall be published in newspaper.

For Principal Chief Material Manager/RWP/Bela
RWP/CPRO/ADVT/2025-26/99

CENTRAL RAILWAY
SOLAPUR DIVISION
Signalling Works

Assistant Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer (Construction) C.R., Solapur, for & on behalf of The President of India, invites online open e-tenders from eligible tenderers for following work. **Tender Notice No. SUR-NC-CR-SNT-C-S-02-2026 Dated 11-01-2026. Name of work**: "Supply, Installation, Testing & commissioning of Indoor & Outdoor equipment's in connection with provision of Electronic interlocking at 3 stations between Osmanabad to Tuljapur, Alteration work in RRI at Osmanabad & Outdoor signalling works at 04 stations between Osmanabad to Tuljapur in connection with Solapur -Osmanabad new BG line in Solapur Division of Central Railway". **Approximate cost of work**: ₹ 25,77,79,676.19 (Rs. Twenty-five Crores Seventy-Seven Lakhs Seventy-Nine Thousand Six hundred seventy-six and Nineteen Paise Only).**Cost of Tender Form/Booklet:** ₹ 0.00. **Earnest Money**: ₹ 14,38,900/- (Rs. Fourteen Lakhs Thirty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Only) **Completion period of the work**: 12 Months (Twelve Months) from the date of issuing LOA. Including monsoon and harvest period. **Start date for submission of tender Date: 26-01-2026. Last date and time for submission of tender Date: 09.02.2026 up to 15:00 Hrs. Date and time of closing of tender Date: 09.02.2026 up to 15:00 Hrs**. Website where complete details of tender available: **www.ireps.gov.in**

Asst. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer (Const.) CR, Solapur
Akar/Sur-2
Keep your animals away from railway lines

REFORMS BOOST: Sales at factory level jump 27% YoY in December

Passenger vehicle dispatches to dealers hit top gear in 2025

Record Year for PVs

Passenger vehicle dispatches hit an all-time high in CY2025, aided by GST-led price cuts and strong festive demand, according to SIAM.

Overall growth — 5%
PV wholesales rose 5% YoY to 44,89,717 units in 2025, from 42,74,793 units in CY2024

Utility vehicles — 7%
UV dispatches climbed 7% to 29,54,279 units, up from 27,49,932 units in 2024

Cars and vans — 1%
Passenger car wholesales edged up to 13,79,884 units, while van dispatches grew 1% YoY

Three-wheelers — 8%
Dispatches rose 8% to 7,88,429 units, from 7,28,670 units in 2024

CVs — 8%
CV dispatches increased 8% YoY to 10,27,877 units, versus 9,54,051 units in CY2024

NEW DELHI, PTI

Passenger vehicle dispatches from companies to dealers raced to the highest-ever sales mark in a calendar year in 2025, as a reduction in prices due to GST reforms led to robust sales in the festive season, the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) said on Tuesday.

The overall passenger vehicle wholesales jumped 5% year-on-year to 44,89,717 lakh units last year, compared with 42,74,793 units in CY2024. Utility vehicle dispatches stood at 29,54,279 units last year, up 7% compared with 27,49,932 units in 2024. Passenger car wholesales saw a marginal increase at 13,79,884 units, while van dispatches rose 1% last year, compared to CY2024.

Three-wheeler and commercial vehicle segments also witnessed the highest-ever dispatched in 2025. Three-wheeler dispatches rose to 7,88,429 units last year, up 8% compared to 7,28,670 units in 2024. Similarly, CV dispatches stood at 10,27,877 units, up 8% against 9,54,051 units in CY2024.

Two-wheeler sales stood at 2,05,00,639 units last year, up 5% as compared with 1,95,43,093 units in 2024. "2025 has been a landmark year for the Indian auto industry. The year began with a subdued first half, and the industry continued to navigate supply-side challenges. With multiple structural policy reforms, including income tax relief, successive repo rate cuts and the roll-out of GST 2.0, the foundation was set for a positive demand environment," SIAM President Shailesh Chandra stated.

Growth during the year has been broad-based across segments, with passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles and three-wheelers recording their highest ever sales and two-wheelers posting the second highest sales ever, in a calendar-year, Chandra noted.

In addition, exports witnessed double-digit growth across vehicle segments in 2025, compared to CY2024, he added.

"Looking ahead, the industry expects the positive momentum to continue well into 2026, supported by stable macroeconomic conditions, improving affordability and continued policy support," Chandra said.

The industry will also continue to monitor geopolitical developments to ensure resilience in the supply chain and export volumes, he added.

SIAM Director General Rajesh Menon said all vehicle segments posted their highest ever sales of the third quarter in 2025-26, with double-digit growth as compared to the previous year.

December dispatches

In December 2025, passenger vehicle dispatches increased 27% year-on-year, led by robust demand for utility vehicles.

Total passenger vehicle sales stood at 3,99,216 units last month, as compared with 3,14,934 units in the year-ago period, registering a growth of 26.8%.

Two-wheeler dispatches to dealers rose 39% year-on-year to 15,41,036 units in December 2025, as against 11,05,565 units in the same month of 2024.

Total three-wheeler sales stood at 61,924 units last month, up 17%, against 52,733 units in December 2024.

World Bank sees resilient global growth amid tariffs

Pegs global GDP growth at 2.6% this year, versus 2.7% in 2025

WASHINGTON, REUTERS

The global economy is proving more resilient than expected, with the 2026 GDP growth expected to improve slightly over forecasts from last June, the World Bank said on Tuesday, while warning that growth is too concentrated in advanced countries and overall too weak to reduce extreme poverty.

The World Bank's semi-annual Global Economic Prospects report shows that global output growth will, however, slow slightly to 2.6% this year, from 2.7% in 2025 before edging back to 2.7% in 2027.

The 2026 GDP forecast is up two-tenths of a percentage point from the last predictions released in June, while 2025 growth will exceed the prior forecast by four-tenths of a percentage point. The World Bank said about two-thirds of the upward revision reflects better-than-expected growth in the US, despite tariff-driven trade disruptions. It predicts US GDP growth will reach 2.2% in 2026, compared to 2.1% in 2025 — up two-tenths and half-a-percentage point from the June forecasts, respectively.

After an import surge to beat tariffs early in 2025 held back US growth for that year, bigger tax incentives will aid growth in 2026, offset by the drag of tariffs on investment and consumption, the World Bank said. But if the current forecasts hold, the 2020s are on track to be the weakest decade for global growth since the 1960s and too low to avert stagnation and joblessness in emerging market and developing countries, the global lender said.

"With each passing year, the global economy has become less capable of generating growth and seemingly more resilient to policy uncertainty," Indermit Gill, the World Bank's chief economist, stated.

Growth in emerging market and developing economies will slow to 4% in 2026 from 4.2% in 2025, up two-tenths and three-tenths of a percentage point from the June forecasts, respectively. But excluding China, the 2026 growth rate for this group will be 3.7%, unchanged from 2025, the World Bank said.

China's growth will slow to 4.4% in 2026, from 4.9%, but the forecasts are both up four-tenths of a percentage point from June due to fiscal stimulus and increased exports to non-US markets.

Growth in the euro zone is set to slow to 0.9% in 2026, from 1.4% in 2025 due to the drag from US tariffs, but recover to 1.2% in 2027 due to increases in European defence spending, the World Bank said.

Japan's outlook is much the same for 2026, with growth slowing to 0.8% after a rise of 1.3% in 2025, a year aided by the front-loading of exports to the US to beat President Donald Trump's tariffs. But slower consumption and investment in Japan will keep GDP growth unchanged at 0.8% for 2027, the World Bank said.

Sarvam AI to invest Rs 10k cr for Sovereign AI Park in TN

E T B SIVAPRIYAN
CHENNAI, DHNS

Sarvam AI will establish India's first full-stack Sovereign AI Park in Tamil Nadu by investing Rs 10,000 crore, to generate 1,000 high-skilled, deep-tech jobs, representing a foundational step in building a robust and inclusive AI ecosystem rooted in public interest.

An MoU was signed between Sarvam AI and the Tamil Nadu Government on Tuesday in the presence of CM MK Stalin and IIT-Madras Director Prof V Kamakoti.

The Sovereign AI Park will be the first-of-its-kind purpose-built district in India that integrates AI compute infrastructure, secure data frameworks, model research labs and AI innovation clusters with a dedicated Institute for AI in governance.

The park can operate as a full-stack system, where data, models, and compute remain within the state's trust boundary, ensuring a sovereign, ethical and inclusive ecosystem for deployment of AI systems.

Drawing inspiration from the historic Sangam academies that safeguarded and enriched Tamil civilisation, the Sovereign AI Park will also serve as a modern Digital Sangam.

It will develop foundational Tamil-first AI models that link classical vocabulary with modern use-cases, thereby embedding culture and context into every layer of digital intelligence.

"By bringing together computers, researchers, startups, enterprises, and government under one Sovereign AI park, Sarvam AI, along with the Tamil Nadu Government, is set to create the conditions for intelligence to move from experimentation to real-world impact at national scale," Sarvam AI Co-founder Pratyush Kumar said.

Silver scales fresh peak of Rs 2.71 L/kg

NEW DELHI, PTI: Silver prices surged by Rs 6,000 to hit a fresh lifetime high of Rs 2,71,000 per kg in the national capital on Tuesday, and gold climbed to yet another record of Rs 1,45,000 per 10 grams amid sustained buying by the stockists.

According to the All India Sarafa Association, the white metal extended its gains for the third consecutive day by jumping Rs 6,000, or 2.3%, to Rs 2,71,000 per kg (inclusive of all taxes). With the latest rise, it had gained Rs 21,000, or 8.4%, over the last three trading sessions.

So far this year, silver has appreciated by Rs 32,000, or 13.4%, from Rs 2,39,000 per kg recorded on December 31, 2025.

Gold of 99.9% purity also rose by Rs 400 to hit a fresh record of Rs 1,45,000 per 10 grams (inclusive of all taxes) on Tuesday. In the previous session, the yellow metal had climbed Rs 2,900 to reach Rs 1,44,600 per 10 grams.

Traders attributed the surge to sustained demand for safe-haven assets amid heightened geopolitical uncertainty.

In the global markets, spot gold eased by $10.93, or 0.24%, to $4,586.49 per ounce, after touching a record of $4,630.47 per ounce on Monday. Spot silver was traded 0.58% higher at $85.64 per ounce in the overseas trade. The white metal had surged by $6.3, or 7.9%, on Monday to scale a fresh peak of $86.26 per ounce.

INDIA'S FRESH FOOD SHIFT IN 2025

In a year dominated by hyper-convenience, India's fresh food consumption in 2025 revealed a quieter but telling shift in consumer behaviour. While speed-led commerce grabbed headlines, data from homegrown zero-stock fresh commerce startup Handpickd shows that growth in fresh food was driven less by experimentation and indulgence, and more by consistency, frequency and trust. Urban consumers ordered not in bulk but in small, timely top-ups, reflecting a move away from pantry-loading toward meal-time purchases. Even as large platforms battled over discounts on staples, Handpickd's data pointed to a microdelivery revolution. What urban India ordered fresh in 2025:

Coriander topped urban vegetable consumption, overtaking staples like onion and potato across all formats of the platform

24,000+ The **'dhania-mirchi combo'** orders became one of the most frequently reordered SKUs of the year

5,90,149 Orders in **Gurugram**, which led the fresh food consumption wave, recording **4-5x** higher volume than other cities

14,659 Orders of exotic produce, including avocados, coloured capsicums, and broccoli, jumped **20 times** YoY, from **689** orders in 2024

22,249 Orders of **Banana Robusta** made it the most-preferred fruit, anchoring everyday fruit baskets

13,000+ Fresh **coconut water** orders reflected a growing shift towards natural hydration over packaged beverages

• **Fresh malai paneer** ranked among the top-selling dairy SKUs, highlighting preference for products that feel close to homemade quality

• Adoption of **ozonised** produce rose sharply from **4%** to **38%** in one year, signalling increased consumer focus on clean and safe food

COMPILED BY: HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE SOURCE: HANDPICKD

Tata Motors launches new variant of Punch

NEW DELHI, DHNS

Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles on Tuesday launched an updated version of its sub-compact SUV Punch. This is the first facelift of the Tata Punch, which was launched in October 2021. The company claims to have sold over 7 lakh Punch units so far. It was the largest-selling car in 2024.

Speaking at the launch in Mumbai, Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles MD and CEO Shailesh Chandra said the Punch has redefined the sub-compact SUV segment. "The Punch has always been a reflection of India's evolving ambitions, democratising the SUV experience with a feature-rich package that earned it a place among India's best-selling SUVs," Chandra said.

Shailesh Chandra with the new Punch variant in Mumbai on Tuesday.

The starting price of the new model named as "Command Max" is Rs 5.59 lakh (ex-showroom, New Delhi). The company has also introduced a CNG variant of the Punch, with a starting price of Rs 6.69 lakh.

The company has significantly improved the car's safety features. The new Punch comes with six airbags as standard, along with electronic stability control, anti-lock breaking system, tyre pressure monitoring system, a 360-degree camera and reverse parking sensors.

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(Government of Karnataka)
RURAL WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION
DEPARTMENT HASSAN DIVISION HASSAN
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TWO COVER SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 05/2025-26 DATED : 12.01.2026.

On behalf of the Governor of the Government of Karnataka, approval has been accorded to obtain human resource services on an outsourcing basis for the Hassan Division Sub-Division Laboratories under the WQMS Scheme for the year 2025–26, by the Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Department, Hassan Division, Hassan. Accordingly taluk, tenders are hereby invited as detailed below. Two Cover System works Service Tender for Hassan Division Sub-Division Laboratories. Above work tender is invited in Two cover system in e-procurement portal. The tender details are available in https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in From 12.01.2026 After 17.30P.M. The contractors can contact the office during office hours till 13.01.2026 and get any information. The bidder should submitted the tender within the dated: 19.01.2026 before 17.30 P.M. On The Technical bid will open on dated:22.01.2026 after 17:00 P.M. The Financial bid of the Technically qualified bidder will be open on dated:23.01.2026 after 17.00 P.M The Executive Engineer has reserved the rights of to cancel all tender or any one tender without giving any reason.

Sd/- Executive Engineer Rural drinking water and sanitation Dept, Hassan division, Hassan.

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GREATER BENGALURU AUTHORITY
Office of the Executive Engineer, Division-2, Project Implementation Unit, 9th Floor, Shopping Complex, 4th Block, Jayanagara, Bengaluru - 560011.

No: EE-2/GBA/PIU/TEND/02/2025-26 Date: 13.01.2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (CALL-2) (TWO COVER SYSTEM)

(Through GOK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) Executive Engineer -2, Project Implementation Unit invites Request for Proposal from interested persons / firms those who have done similar nature of work for Consultancy Services for Project Management including Supervision, Quality control (PMC) for the below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1.	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for "Construction of flood protection structures to SWD ineluding RCC retaining walls, Water retention structures, Nature based solution structures Bridges and culverts under Karnataka Water Security and Resilience Programme (KWSRP) with externally funded project (World Bank) in Bommanahalli Zone Package-I". **Amount Put to Tender (Works) : Rs. 16,350.39 Lakhs, EMD Amount : Rs. 2,45,256.00**

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender Document may be downloaded through E-portal form : **16.01.2026 (2)** Pre-bid Meeting : **23.01.2026 at 4.00 PM** Office of the Executive Engineer. Division-2, Project Implementation Unit, 9th Floor. Shopping Complex, 4th Block. Jayanagara, Bengaluru 560011. **(3)** Last Date & Time for receipt of Tenders : **02.02.2026 up to 4:00 PM (4)** Opening of Technical bid : **03.02.2026 at 4:30 PM**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Division-2
Project Implementation Unit, Greater Bengaluru Authority

Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited
(Wholly owned Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
(CIN - UO4010KA2002SGC030438)

NOTIFICATION INVITING TENDER (NIT)
(Through KPP Portal)

BESCOM invites tender for the work of "Conversion of existing 11kV Overhead line into Underground (UG) cable under System Strengthening works in 03 subdivisions of KENGERI division, Bangalore West circle of BMAZ (South), BESCOM on percentage basis quoting".

Sl. No.	Name of Sub division	Enquiry no's
1)	K-1 s/d	BESCOM/2025-26/UC/WORK_INDENT840
2)	K-3 s/d	BESCOM/2025-26/UC/WORK_INDENT841
3)	K-4 s/d	BESCOM/2025-26/UC/WORK_INDENT842

Availability of Bid Documents: 21.01.2026 onwards. Last date for Bid Submission: 23.02.2026 @ 15:00 Hrs. Opening of Technical Bids: 24.02.2026 @ 15:30 Hrs. Pre-Bid meeting: 04.02.2026 @ 11:00 Hrs. Venue: Conference Hall, 3rd Floor, BELAKU BHAVANA, Corporate office, BESCOM, K. R. Circle, Bangalore-560 001. The bid documents can be downloaded and necessary assistance can be obtained through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP) from the website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. KPP portal Help Desk: Phone No: +91 9240214000/+91 9240214001/+91-8046010000/ +91-8068948777 E-mail: support@ eprochelpdesk.com Aspiring bidders needs to be registered on Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP). Bidders can take the assistance from the office of the undersigned during working hours.

Sd/- Chief General Manager, Electy., Projects, BESCOM, K.R.Circle, Bengaluru-560001.

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British Columbia keen to export natural gas, timber to India

MAHESH KULKARNI
BENGALURU, DHNS

Bengaluru, dhns: British Columbia (BC), Canada, is keen on increasing bilateral trade with India and exporting natural gas and sustainable materials like timber to the country, Minister of Jobs and Economic Growth, Ravi Kahlon said.

"We have initiated dialogue with India after a gap of two years and are very much keen on partnering with the country across various sectors like technology, education, clean technology, mining, and critical minerals. We are in India to explore opportunities and understand first hand what the country needs from us and what we can take from them," Kahlon added.

Kahlon is visiting India from January 12-17, 2026, as part of the trade mission led by Premier David Eby to promote BC's businesses, critical minerals and sustainable wood products.

Kahlon, whose parents hail from Punjab, said he was excited to visit Bengaluru for the first time and is looking forward to inviting technology companies from the Karnataka capital to explore partnerships within BC.

Stating that British Columbia is the 12th largest natural gas producer with substantial reserves, Kahlon said it is looking to export natural gas to India and meet its growing requirements for sustainable energy. The Canadian province recently commissioned its first export terminal which will be used to export natural gas to Asia, including India. "We can send our shipments to India in 8-10 days," he said.

Rare earth elements

BC has one the cleanest, inclusive, and most responsible natural gas industries in the world and is getting big projects done. Earlier this year, the first shipments of liquefied natural gas were sent from LNG Canada to Asia. Since that point, over 25 cargoes have been shipped from the facility and as the second train commences operations, the frequency of shipments is expected to increase, he said.

Ravi Kahlon

The country generates 98% of its electricity from clean or renewable sources.

Kahlon said BC also possesses rich deposits of metals and materials that the world needs – like nickel, copper, molybdenum, rare earth elements, gold, silver, and metallurgical coal. It is looking at opportunities to export them. It is also a global leader in sustainable forestry, with certified wood products that offer quality, durability, and environmental responsibility.

As India's furniture industry grows for both domestic and export markets, BC wood can help manufacturers meet demand with high-quality, reliable, and sustainable materials, he added.

Jugraj Singh

Jugraj 'tricks as Tigers roar past Dragons

RANCHI, AGENCIES: Jugraj Singh scored his first hat-trick of the season to ensure a commanding 5-3 win for the Sharchi Bengal Tigers against Accord Tamil Nadu Dragons in the ongoing Hero Hockey India League at the Marang Gomke Jaipal Singh Munda Hockey Stadium in Ranchi on Tuesday.

This was an important win for Tigers who were placed seventh in the pool table before this match started but jumped up to fourth with the win that keept their hopes alive in the league.

While Jugraj became only the second player to get a hat-trick of goals after Kane Rusell who has three hat-tricks in the league so far, goals from Sukhjeet (33th) and Abhishek (55th) helped the Tigers clinch a winner while Adrohit Ekka (36th), Thomas Sorsby (48th) and Blake Govers (51st) scored for the Dragons.

Defending champions Tigers were quick to get off the blocks with Abhishek creating the first real shot on goal but didn't quite find success. However, an infringement while defending saw Dragons give away a penalty stroke in the 11th minute.

Jugraj, who was the top scorer from the previous edition, was on par against the legendary David Harte in the goalpost. He kept the ball low and fierce to beat Harte into the goal.

The 1-0 lead put the Tigers in good stead. Though the second quarter was goalless with Dragons trying their best to equalise with Uttam Singh leading the charge for them, there was not much they could muster from the attempts. Tigers' coach Valentin Altenburg was not a happy man at half-time.

CRICKET SECOND ODI

Indians look to seal series

Hosts brimming with confidence despite growing injury worries

RAJKOT, PTI

Virat Kohli's imperious form has managed to offset mounting injury concerns around some key players and India would hope that the list doesn't get any longer as they close in on sealing the ODI series against New Zealand in the second game here on Wednesday.

India made a winning start defeating New Zealand by four wickets in the lung-opener in Vadodara, but the hosts lost Washington Sundar for the remainder of the series due to a side strain.

The selectors have roped in Delhi's Ayush Badoni but in all likelihood, India would bring in another all-rounder in Nitish Kumar Reddy into the 11 given head coach Gautam Gambhir's preference for multi-skilled players.

On the eve of the first ODI, Rishabh Pant had copped a blow while batting against Indian throw-down staff and was ruled out of the series. His ouster had prompted the selectors to draft in Dhruv Jurel who can be another option for a specialist batter if the team management decides to go that way.

Despite the available options, India's white-ball set up would not want to see more injuries with the T20 World Cup less than a month away.

That squad would feature an entirely different batting line-up from the one in the ODIs. But some names are common to both sides and an important one, all-rounder Tilak Varma, is out of at least the first three T20Is against the Kiwis due to a groin injury.

However, all of these concerns are for later as the ongoing series continues to be about the two veterans, who have served Indian cricket with distinction.

Kohli and Rohit Sharma are clearly enjoying themselves in what is the final leg of a glittering international run.

Kohli narrowly missed his 54th ODI ton in the first ODI but his stroke-filled 91-ball 93 set up India's win even though a mini collapse created a few nervous moments.

However, none of that would worry the think-tank given the chasm between the two sides since New Zealand are also heavily depleted for the ODIs.

Skipper Shubman Gill hit a measured half-century and his deputy Shreyas Iyer missed his by one run in the series opener. But a robust batting show heralded by a dazzling start from Rohit Sharma would keep India assured of going full throttle once again.

For someone who has been batting in the nets with the same intensity as in the game, Kohli is riding high on confidence and performing at a different level.

It certainly seems to be a case of him being seemingly free of the burden of expectations and criticism.

There have been additional colours to his batting as neither has Kohli refrained from attacking from the start, nor has he left out any runs out on the park. This is perhaps the reason why he became the fastest to 28,000 runs across formats in Vadodara.

India pacer Arshdeep Singh breaks into an impromptu garba dance upon his arrival in Rajkot, ahead of the second ODI against New Zealand. PTI

LIVE 1:30 PM STAR SPORTS

'Kohli, Rohit in long-term plans'

RAJKOT, PTI: Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma remain actively involved in India's long-term ODI planning, including preparations for next year's World Cup, batting coach Sitanshu Kotak said on Tuesday.

Kotak said the two batting superstars, who remain at the forefront of India's batting firepower in the 50-overs format, are completely aligned with the team management, including head coach Gautam Gambhir.

"They definitely make plans. Now that they're playing only one format, they want India to win everywhere when they are there," Kotak told the media on the eve of India's second ODI against New Zealand.

"With the amount of experience they have, they can share a lot of ideas with other players, and they do discuss. They discuss with Gautam the ODI format, the matches that we have and our plans for South Africa."

"Most of the time I'm there and if I'm listening, they definitely share the experience and I always see them talking. Obviously, on social media, you see a lot of things which I try to avoid seeing. But (from) what I see, there are a lot of positives," Kotak added.

The equation between Kohli, Rohit and the new coaching setup has been under scrutiny in recent months, especially after India's struggles in the Test format and the transition that saw both batters step away from red-ball cricket before last year's England tour.

Harmanpreet stamps her class

Skipper smashes unbeaten 71 to steer MI to big win

NAVI MUMBAI, PTI

Harmanpreet Kaur produced a batting masterclass with an unbeaten 71 to lead Mumbai Indians to a seven-wicket win over Gujarat Giants, their highest successful chase in the Women's Premier League, here on Tuesday.

Put in, Gujarat Giants produced a late flourish through Georgia Wareham (43 not out) and Bharti Fulmali (36 not out) to post 192/5.

Chasing the stiff target, Harmanpreet brought up a 33-ball half-century, her 10th in the WPL, and also crossed 1,000 runs in the tournament to become the first Indian to reach the milestone in the league. She finished with 71 not out off 43 balls, striking seven fours and two sixes as Mumbai completed the chase with four balls to spare to hand Gujarat their first defeat of the season.

Mumbai were wobbling at 37/2 after losing both openers inside the Powerplay, but Harmanpreet found a fine ally in Amanjot Kaur, who played a sparkling knock of 40 off 26 balls with seven fours.

The pair added 72 runs off just 44 balls to turn the game decisively in Mumbai's favour.

Amanjot was particularly severe on anything loose, using the paddle and the slog to find the fine-leg and mid-wicket boundaries, while Harmanpreet counter-attacked with authority, lofting Renuka Singh over mid-off and later launching Ashleigh Gardner over long-on to keep the asking rate in check.

After Amanjot's dismissal, Harmanpreet was joined by Nicola Carey, who provided the perfect finishing touch with an unbeaten 37 off 22 balls, including six fours.

The duo put on an unbroken 84-run partnership from 43 deliveries to seal the result.

Brief scores: Gujarat Giants: 192/5 in 20 overs (Beth Mooney 33, Kanika Ahuja 35, Georgia Wareham 43 n.o., Bharti Fulmali 36 n.o.) lt to Mumbai Indians: 193/3 in 19.2 overs (Amanjot Kaur 40, Harmanpreet Kaur 71 n.o., Nicola Carey 38 n.o.) by 7 wkts.

PoM: Harmanpreet Kaur.

Capitals, Warriorz eye PP gains

UP Warriorz need to sort out their top-order while Delhi Capitals would aim to improve their Powerplay bowling as both sides look for their first win in the Women's Premier League on Wednesday.

Mumbai Indians' Harmanpreet Kaur became the second player to surpass 1000 runs in WPL during her match-winning knock against Gujarat Giants on Tuesday. X

Eliminator wins main event

DELHI RESULTS

Eliminator, ridden by Arjun, won the Hyderabad Race Club Cup over 1400m, the feature event of the Delhi races on Tuesday.

1. Charminar Plate - 1600M: Equal Luxury (Kundan Paswan) 1; Burning Desire (Dilip Singh) 2; Poly Czar (Mobit Singh) 3; Ustaad Ji (Arjun) 4; WB: Shd, Shd, 4-1/4L; T: 1:43.28; TB: SM Abbas; Fav: Burning Desire.

2. Telangana Plate - 1100M: Alex (SG Prasad) 1; Bay Of Biscay (Faizan Khan) 2; Ashwa Sabira (S Qureshi) 3; Ashwa Yashvir (Shekawat) 4; WB: 1, 4-3/4, 4-1/4L; T: 1:07.89; TB: K Ali Khan; Fav: Alex.

3. Sikandrabad Plate (Div I) - 1000M: Ticker (Faizan Khan) 1; Rhapsody In Green (Yousaf) 2; Divit (SG Prasad) 3; Master Causeway (Riazuddin) 4; NR: Aegir; WB: 1-1/4, Nk, 6-3/4L; T: 1:00.12; TB: SH Abbas; Fav: Ticker.

4. Sikandrabad Plate (Div II) - 1000M: Divine Dancer (Rakesh) 1; The Mentalist (Sunny Kumar) 2; Dashing Harry (Shivam) 3; Magic Spell (Aman) 4; WB: 3/4, 3-1/2, 6-3/4L; T: 1:00.11; TB: VS Parmar; Fav: Divine Dancer.

5. Hyderabad Race Club Cup - 1400M: Eliminator (Arjun) 1; Golden Sun (Dhanu Deora) 2; Ashwa Simran (Shekhawat) 3; Treasure (Aasif Khan) 4; WB: 1-3/4, 2-1/2, 3-1/2L; T: 1:11.82; TB: SH Abbas; Fav: Bellagio.

6. Malakpet Plate - 1200M: Rocket Rod (Shivam) 1; Nothing To Worry (Faizan Khan) 2; Robust (Rakesh) 3; Jet Sukhoi (Deepak Kumar) 4; NR: Master CowBoy; WB: Nk, 2-1/4, 5-3/4L; T: 1:11.85; TB: KP Singh; Fav: Nothing To Worry.

Bengaluru dividends

I race: Rs 48w; 15, 10p; Fc: Rs 68; Q: Rs 34; Shp: Rs 29; Thp: Rs 37; Tri: Rs 193 & 86; Ex: Rs 270 & 147.

II race: Rs 28w; 13, 16p; Fc: Rs 88; Q: Rs 37; Shp: Rs 23; Thp: Rs 47; Tri: Rs 1,199 & 642; Ex: Rs 4,057 & 1,086.

III race: Rs 17w; 11, 15p; Fc: Rs 31; Q: Rs 18; Shp: Rs 26; Thp: Rs 32; Tri: Rs 35 & 15; Ex: Rs 88 & 65.

IV race: Rs 17w; 11, 18p; Fc: Rs 54; Q: Rs 31; Shp: Rs 33; Thp: Rs 29; Tri: Rs 90 & 40; Ex: Rs 205 & 90.

V race: Rs 58w; 15, 13, 15p; Fc: Rs 334; Q: Rs 113; Shp: Rs 42; Thp: Rs 70; Tri: Rs 1,798 & 770; Ex: Rs 30,963 (c/o) & 6,634 .

VI race: Rs 23w; 12, 10, 12p; Fc: Rs 81; Q: Rs 42; Shp: Rs 30; Thp: Rs 32; Tri: Rs 99 & 32; Ex: Rs 658 & 403.

Jackpot: Rs 3,529 (60). **Runner-up:** Rs 635 (143). **Treble:** Rs 510 (176).

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CRICKET

Second ODI: India vs New Zealand **(1:30 pm). LIVE** on **Star Sports 2 & JioHotstar.**

WPL: UP Warriorz vs Delhi Capitals **(7:30 pm). LIVE** on **Star Sports 1 & JioHotstar.**

HOCKEY

HIL: Hyderabad Toofans vs Vedanta Kalinga Lancers **(5 pm)**; Ranchi Royals vs SG Pipers **(7:30 pm). LIVE** on **Sony Sports Ten 1.**

Sen too good for Shetty; Treesa-Gayatri start well

NEW DELHI, PTI

Ace shuttler Lakshya Sen stormed into the second round of the India Open Super 750 with a dominant straight-game win over compatriot Ayush Shetty in the men's singles opening round at the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium here on Tuesday.

The 2021 World Championships bronze medallist asserted his superiority early to register a clinical 21-12, 21-15 victory over the 20-year-old Shetty, who was making his debut at the USD 950,000 event.

The 24-year-old from Almora will next face Japan's Kenta Nishimoto, who advanced after countryman and seventh seed Kodai Naraoka retired while trailing 6-21, 6-7 in another match.

In women's doubles, Treesa Jolly and Gayatri Gopichand, who defended their title at the Syed Modi International last December, also made a positive start, notching up a 21-15, 21-11 win over Thailand's Ornnicha Jongsathapornparn and Sukitta Suwachai.

The Indian pair will now face seventh seeds Li Yi Jing and Luo Xu Min of China, who defeated USA's Francesca Corbett and Jennie Gai 21-12, 21-8.

India's Lakshya Sen returns during his opening round win over compatriot Ayush Shetty in New Delhi on Tuesday. PTI

In men's doubles, Hariharan Amsakarunan and MR Arjun crossed the first hurdle with a 21-15, 21-18 win over Malaysia's Teo Ee Yi and Ong Yew Sin to set up a clash with fourth seeds Liang Wei Keng and Wang Chang of China.

India's top men's doubles pair Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty, seeded third, also progressed without taking the court after receiving a walkover from USA's Chen Zhi Yi and Presley Smith.

National women's doubles championship finalists Shruti Mishra and Priya Konjengbam saved five match points but failed to capitalise on the lone match point they earned, losing 21-11, 20-22, 24-22 to Hong Kong's Lui Lok Lok and Tsang Hiu Yan in one hour and eight minutes.

In mixed doubles, Dhruv Rawat and Maneesha K went down 9-21, 10-21 to Japan's Hiroki Midorikawa and Nami Matsuyama.

Talking about the season ahead, Sen said: "I think we have big tournaments coming up this year, so I think it will be important to maintain a good ranking but also peak at the right time for the big ones."

Blichfeldt slams 'unhealthy & unprofessional conditions'

NEW DELHI, PTI: Denmark's Mia Blichfeldt **(in pic)** on Tuesday launched a fresh criticism of playing conditions at the new venue of the IG Stadium, saying the shift in halls has done little to address the unhealthy and unprofessional surroundings for players and called for the apex body BWF's intervention to improve the scenario ahead of the World Championships.

Blichfeldt, who advanced to the second round of the ongoing India Open Super 750 tournament, said she had hoped the change of venue would lead to tangible improvements, but found the conditions largely unchanged.

"I actually hoped it was going to be better than the other hall," Blichfeldt said.

"I think it's still very dirty and really unhealthy conditions for all the players. Everyone is warming up in two layers of pants and winter jackets and gloves and hats."

The Dane said the cold and unsanitary environment made proper preparation difficult for elite athletes who are expected to perform at high intensity.

"It's not good warm-up preparation for a player who has to go on court and move fast and go in splits," she said. "I know everyone is doing their best to make the conditions better for the players, but I think there is still a way to go."

Blichfeldt had criticised the conditions at the KD Jadhav hall too as "unhealthy and unacceptable" when it hosted the last edition of the India Open in January.

She said her concerns mirror grievances she raised at the venue last year, saying little has changed since then.

"To be honest, no," she said when asked if the conditions had improved.

"Yesterday, when I came to the warm-up courts, there were birds flying around and s*****ing on the court. That's really unhealthy and not normal."

Calling for intervention from organisers and the sport's governing body, Badminton World Federation, Blichfeldt said professional standards must be upheld to protect players. "I don't think so many other athletes would play under these conditions. I hope everyone around the tournament, the association, and also BWF is going to look into this venue because it's a professional sport."

Zero tolerance for sexual misconduct: NRAI chief Deo

NEW DELHI, PTI

Indian shooting federation chief Kalikesh Singh Deo says the body has a zero-tolerance policy towards sexual misconduct and will extend full cooperation to the law enforcement agencies investigating the alleged sexual assault of a minor shooter by national coach Ankush Bhardwaj.

Pistol coach Bhardwaj, a resident of Mohali, has been booked under Section 6 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act for aggravated sexual assault and Section 351(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita for criminal intimidation.

A 17-year-old shooter has registered the FIR in Faridabad. Police said two teams from the crime unit and the women's police station are conducting raids to nab the accused.

"This is a very sensitive matter and, at NRAI (National Rifles Association of India), we take the greatest impetus and focus on ensuring that we provide a safe workplace and a safe performance environment for athletes," Deo said.

Kalikesh Singh Deo

According to the FIR, the minor shooter, who was training under Bhardwaj since August last year, alleged that the coach assaulted her in a hotel room after her event during the National Championships last month.

The victim has alleged that Bhardwaj threatened to sabotage her shooting career and harm her family if she spoke about the incident. However, she eventually opened up about it to her mother earlier this month, which led to an FIR.

Deo said the federation acted promptly once it became aware of the case by suspending the coach.

"However, since the matter was directly reported to the police, the investigation is to be done by the police, and NRAI is completely committed to cooperating with the investigation as and when required by the investigating authorities," he said.

The NRAI president reiterated that the federation has institutional mechanisms in place under the Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) Act.

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. CEE/Tr(OP)Z/HSN/SEE(O)/AEE-5/F-54/2025-26/12419-22 Date: 13.01.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP Portal Only)

KPTCL invites Bids against **Tender No. KPTCL/2025-26/TL/WORK_INDENT3057/CALL-2** for Providing **LILO arrangement to existing 66kV Rudrapatna sub-station** by stringing 66kV 2nd circuit from tapping point to 66kV Rudrapatna sub-station for a distance of about 4.803 km along with **construction of one number of 66 kV terminal bay at 66kV Rudrapatna sub-station** in Arakalgudu Taluk, Hassan District on **Total Turnkey Basis. Reserved for CATEGORY-II(A).**

The detailed notification regarding subject enquiry in the E-Tendering process can be obtained by logging on to website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink "tenders" on or after **14.01.2026 at 11:00 Hrs**. Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- **Chief Engineer (Electy.), Transmission (Operations) Zone, KPTCL, 3rd Floor, Prasarana Bhavana, Santhepete, B.M. Road, Hassan-573201.**

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED

(A Govt. of Karnataka Enterprises)

No: EE/ UTP /RNR/Madag Masur/LIS-Hangal/ Call-2/PB-4/2025-26/2435 Date: 07-01-2026.

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Call-2)

(Through KPPP portal system) Two cover system

Percentage tenders are invited by the undersigned on behalf of the Managing Director, KNNL, Bangalore, from eligible bidders who satisfies through GO KPPP platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. The Modernisation of Left & Right Bank canal of Madaga Masur Tank Works under LIS sub division of amount Rs:5031.68 Lakhs (including GST) and EMD amount of Rs:42.64 Lakhs under UTP Division Ranebennur under the Head of account 4701 Madaga Masur Project for the year 2025-26.

Tender processing fee as per KPPP portal system is non refundable. The electronic tender documents can be obtained through website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. and can be submitted through KPPP portal. (1)The contractor can have access to e-tender documents from 09-01-2026 to 21-01-2026 up to 5.00 PM (2) Pre-bid meeting held on 14-01-2026 at 04.00 PM in the office of Managing Director, Karnataka Neeravari Nigama Ltd., 4th Floor, Coffee Board, No.01 Dr.B.R.Ambedkar veedhi, Bangalore, (3)The Last Date and time for tender queries before 17-01-2026 up to 4.00 PM. (4) Last date of bid submission of completed e-tendering documents on 21-01-2026-up to 5.00 PM (5) Technical Bid will be opened on 22-01-2026 at 5.30 PM at the office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, UTP Division, Ranebennur. Any changes made in the said Notification Corrected /Corrigendum's will be uploaded in the KPPP portal.

For details visit our website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or contact the undersigned in all working days during the office hours. Phone No. (08373) – 297332 Conditional tenders are liable to be rejected. The officer competent to accept the tender reserves the right of cancelling/rejecting all or any of the tenders without assigning any reasons what so ever.

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Healy to retire after India series

SYDNEY, PTI: Alyssa Healy, one of the finest cricketers to have played for Australia, will retire from the game following the home series against India in March.

The 35-year-old will lead the Australian team one final time in the three ODIs and the one off women's Test in Perth. Healy won't be part of the T20s against India as she will not be around for the T20 World Cup in the UK later this year.

Alyssa Healy

"It's with mixed emotions that the upcoming India series will be my last for Australia," Healy, one of the most destructive batters in the women's game, said in a statement.

"I'm still passionate about playing for Australia but I've somewhat lost that competitive edge that's kept me driven since the start, so the time feels right to call it a day.

Healy has played an integral role in Australia's domination over the past decade.

Considering she has won eight world titles, six in the T20 format and two in one- day cricket, losing the semifinals to eventual winners in the ODI World Cup last year was a disappointing outcome for Healy and her team.

The wicket-keeper batter has represented Australia in 10 Tests, 123 ODIs and 162 T20 Internationals.

She has so far scored 489 Test runs at an average of 30.56, 3563 ODI runs at 35.98 with seven hundreds and 3054 at 25.45 with one century in T20Is.

Eagles soar on Bharathi's wings

BENGALURU, DHNS: Bharathi scored a brace, including a second-half winner, as Bangalore Eagles FC ground out a come-from-behind 3-2 win over FC Deccan in the BDFA A Division League Championship at the Bangalore Football Stadium here on Tuesday.

Results: A Division: Bangalore Eagles FC: 3 (Bharathi 48th, 71st, Britto NJ 55th) bt FC Deccan: 2 (LT Lowly 4th, 53rd); Blitz FC: 2 (Atharv Apurv Shukla 30th, Ashansh Prasad 42nd) bt -bt Real Chikkamagaluru FC: 0

B Division: Group A: Pillanna Garden FC: 3 (Varadharajan S 14th, Alan Sanjay Xavier 16th, 54th) bt ADE FC: 1 (Ashish Adhikari R 45th).

CRICKET VIJAY HAZARE TROPHY

Yash rekindles CoE love affair

Youngster hits breezy 86 as Vidarbha down Delhi to storm into semis

VIGNESH BHARADWAJ
BENGALURU, DHNS

After a match-winning 194 in the Duleep Trophy final and a 71 in the Ranji Trophy opener against Nagaland, Yash Rathod's love affair with the BCCI's Centre of Excellence continued here on Tuesday.

The 25-year-old (86, 73, 8x4, 2x6) enhanced his white-ball reputation with a Player of the Match performance while Atharva Taide (62, 72, 8x4) scored his third fifty in four innings to help Vidarbha set up a Vijay Hazare Trophy semifinal with Karnataka after comfortably beating Delhi by 76 runs.

Chasing 301 without two of their skippers -- Rishabh Pant (national duty/ injury) and Ayush Badoni (national duty) -- Delhi were bowled out for 224 in 45.1 overs.

They began the chase in earnest with Priyansh Arya (28, 19b, 4x4, 1x6) dealing in boundaries while Vaibhav Kandpal (28, 42b, 3x4) took a more cautious approach as Vidarbha struggled to control proceedings.

Nachiket Bhute (4/51) drew first blood as Arya poked at a ball going down the leg side. The strike turned into a double whammy when Nitish Rana (0) tried to guide a short ball to third man but hit it straight down R Samarth's throat.

Vidarbha's Yash Rathod pulls one en route to his quickfire 86 during their Vijay Hazare Trophy quarterfinal against Delhi at BCCI's Centre of Excellence Ground in Bengaluru on Tuesday. Vidarbha beat Delhi by 76 runs to set up Katnataka clash in semis. PTI

The introduction of spin in the form of Harsh Dubey (3/36) rattled Delhi further as they lost Kandpal and Tejasvi (15).

Anuj Rawat (66, 98, 7x4) showcased some fight but it was never going to be enough with him running out of partners at the other end.

Earlier, unperturbed by the seam movement Ishant Sharma (2/47) and Navdeep Saini (2/68) were generating, Taide went after Saini to set the tone.

However, Saini returned to dismiss Aman Mokhade (6, 12b), to give some relief to the Delhi dugout.

Taide hit as many as six boundaries on the off-side, cutting anything slightly wide, galloping to his ninth List A fifty in 56 balls.

Dhruv Shorey (49, 71b, 7x4), who equalled the record for most consecutive (five) List A tons in history in December last year, looked switched on, using his cut and drives to optimum effect.

Both batters looked at absolute ease once the ball stopped seaming around, stitching a 90-run stand. Just when Taide looked good for a big one, he was cleaned up by Ishant, who picked up his 200th wicket in List A cricket.

With Vidarbha 203/4 in 39 overs, Rathod was the fulcrum of their batting, as the last 11 overs yielded 97 runs.

Dominant Punjab

A collective effort with both bat and ball helped Punjab surge into the semifinals with a 183-run victory over Madhya Pradesh at the BCCI's Centre of Excellence 1 here.

Fifties from Prabhsimran Singh (88), Harnoor Singh (51), Anmolpreet Singh (70) and Nehal Wadhera (56) helped Punjab post a competitive 345/6 in 50 overs.

In response, MP were never really in the chase as Sanvir Singh (3/31), Gurnoor Brar (2/27), Krish Bhagat (2/28) and Ramandeep Singh (2/23) rolled them over for 162 in 31.2 overs.

Brief scores: Vidarbha: 300/9 in 50 overs (Atharva Taide 62, Dhruv Shorey 49, Yash Rathod 86; Ishant Sharma 2-47, Navdeep Saini 2-68, Prince Yadav 2-59, Nitish Rana 2-19) bt Delhi: 224 all out in 45.1 overs (Vaibhav Kandpal 28, Priyansh Arya 28, Anuj Rawat 66, Harsh Tyagi 27; Praful Hinge 2-54, Nachiket Bhute 4-51, Harsh Dubey 3-36) by 76 runs. Punjab: 345/6 in 50 overs (Harnoor Singh 51, Prabhsimran Singh 88, Anmolpreet Singh 70, Nehal Wadhera 56; Tripuresh Singh 2-51, Venkatesh Iyer 2-60) bt Madhya Pradesh: 162 all out in 31.2 overs (Rajat Patidar 38, Tripuresh Singh 31; Gurnoor Brar 2-27, Krish Bhagat 2-28, Sanvir Singh 3-31, Ramandeep Singh 2-23) by 183 runs.

SEMIS LINE-UP

- Jan 15: Karnataka vs Vidarbha
- Jan 16: Saurashtra vs Punjab

Bangla refuses to back down after ICC rejects its demand

'Both parties will continue to explore possible solutions'

DHAKA, PTI

The ICC on Tuesday "requested" the Bangladesh Cricket Board to reconsider its demand to shift the country's T20 World Cup matches out of India, but the BCB has refused to back down, reiterating its security concerns.

In a statement, the BCB said the board's position remains unchanged despite the ICC's reluctance to entertain its request and both parties will continue to "explore possible solutions".

BCB has written to the ICC multiple times demanding that its World Cup games be shifted out of India due to security concerns, but considering the schedule for the T20 showpiece beginning February 7 is finalised, the world body is unlikely to relent.

"While the ICC highlighted that the tournament itinerary has already been announced and requested the BCB to reconsider its stance, the Board's position remains unchanged. Both parties agreed that discussions will continue to explore possible solutions," the BCB said.

"The BCB remains committed to safeguarding the well-being of its players, officials and staff while engaging constructively with the ICC to address the matter," said the BCB after its officials attended the video conference with ICC," it added.

While the BCB considers it unsafe for its players to travel to India, ICC's risk assessment report does not flag any specific or direct threat to the team if it participates in the tournament.

In Tuesday's video conference with the ICC, the BCB was represented by its president Aminul Islam and CEO Nizam Uddin Chowdhury among other senior officials.

"During the discussions, the BCB reaffirmed its position regarding the decision not to travel to India, citing security concerns. The Board also reiterated its request for the ICC to consider relocating Bangladesh's matches outside India," the BCB added.

Bangladesh are scheduled to play three games in Kolkata and one in Mumbai during the league stage. BCB asked for a relocation after the BCCI instructed Kolkata Knight Riders to release pacer Mustafizur Rahman from its IPL 2026 roster amid violence against Hindus here.

Kuttappa returns as men's boxing team head coach

NEW DELHI, PTI: Dronacharya awardee CA Kuttappa **(in pic)** has returned as the head coach of the Indian men's boxing team for a third stint, the Boxing Federation of India confirmed on Tuesday.

The Services man replaces SAI Rohtak coach Dharmender Yadav, who was appointed last year. Yadav, however, will continue to be part of the men's coaching setup.

"Yes CA Kuttappa has been appointed as the coach in charge and Dharmender Yadav will also continue to be a part of the coach staff," BFI Executive Director Col Arun Malik told PTI. The change at the helm comes in the wake of an underwhelming couple of years for Indian men's boxing.

Only two male boxers managed to qualify for the 2024 Paris Olympics, and the slide continued at the 2025 World Championships in Liverpool, where the men's contingent failed to win a single medal for the first time in 12 years. Kuttappa is no stranger to the role, having previously served as the men's head coach during both the Tokyo and Paris Olympics.

Kuvempu's Sudeep bags gold

BENGALURU, DHNS

Kuvempu University's Sudeep bagged the high jump gold on the second day of the 85th All-India Inter-University Athletics Championships at the Swarajya Stadium in Moodubidiri on Tuesday.

Sudeep leapt 2.11 metres to emerge triumphant, ahead of silver medallist S Mohammed Fazil (2.09) of Madras University and bronze medallist Aditya Raghuvanshi (2.06) of Chandigarh University.

Bharathiar University's Sam Vasanth emerged as the fastest man by bagging the 100m gold.

Sam Vasanth

Results: Men: 100m: S Sam Vasanth (Bharathiar, Coimbatore) 10.44s, 1; Vibhaskar Kumar (Mangalore) 10.57, 2; Gitson Tharmara (Madras) 10.59, 3. **800m:** Sanket (MD, Rohtak) 1:48.95, 1; Deore Prathames (Mangalore) 1:49.09, 2; Amit Kaur (Chhatrapati Sahu) 1:49.37, 3. **400m hurdles:** S Mahendran (Madras) 51.35s, 1; Aryan Prajwal Kashyapa (Mangalore) 51.55, 2; A Karthik Raja (Manomanian) 51.83, 3. **High jump:** Sudeep (Kuvempu) 2.11m, 1; S Mohammed Fazil (Madras) 2.09, 2; Aditya Raghuvanshi (Chandigarh) 2.06, 3. **Shot put:** Varinder Pal Singh (Chandigarh) 18.22m, 1; Sawan (Chandigarh) 18.06, 2; Aniket (Mangalore) 17.98, 3. 20km walk: Vihvendra Singh (RIMT) 1:25:50.07, 1; Sarvajeet Patel (DRML) 1:27:28.03, 2; Dasharath N Talawar (Bengaluru City) 1:30:03.98, 3. **Women: 100m:** Parthipa Selvaraj (Madras) 11.74s, 1; Subdharshini (SRM) 11.89, 2; Tanisha Raghav (Delhi) 11.93, 3 **800m:** Anju (Lovely Professional) 2:08.43, 1; Anjali (GNDU) 2:09.50, 2; Laxmi Priya Kisan (KIIT) 2:10.59, 3. **400m hurdles:** Delna Philip (Calicut) 1:00.12, 1; Deekshitha Rama Gowda (Mangalore) 1:00.96, 2; Megha Munavallimath (Dharwad) 1:01.64, 3. **Triple jump:** Aleena Saji (Mahatma Gandhi, Kottayam) 12.79m, 1; Sadhana Ravi (SRM, Chennai) 12.74, 2; Preeti (MGS) 12.52, 3. **Discus throw:** Saniya Yadav (TSB) 53.45m, 1; Priya (Chandigarh) 51.95, 2; Ujjwal Kasana (GNDU) 49.57, 3. **20km walk:** Chaudhari Gayat Ganesh (SPP) 1:40:15.41, 1; Baljeet Kaur (TSB) 1:41.37.12, 2; Nikita Lamba (Chandigarh) 1:43:54.43, 3.

Liverpool ease past Barnsley

LIVERPOOL, AFP: Dominik Szoboszlai (in pic) produced a sublime goal and a ridiculous error as Liverpool eased to a 4-1 win over third-tier Barnsley to reach the FA Cup fourth round.

The Hungarian international unleashed a rocket into the top corner from long range to open the scoring at Anfield on Monday.

Jeremie Frimpong doubled the home side's lead before half-time. But Szoboszlai gifted the League One side a route back into the tie when he fluffed an attempted backheel inside his own box and Adam Phillips gratefully smashed home.

Barnsley boss Conor Hourihane was furious his side were not awarded a penalty midway through the second half.

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